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Gorbachev Denies **Policy Retreats**

> By Philip Taubman New York Times Service

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ed and calcified, told party leaders

Thursday that the nature of capi-talism has changed and its aggres-

under which we have started a new,

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ed during its previous stages," Mr.

Proposing a number of revised

ideological principles for the Soviet

Union, Mr. Gorbachev told a meet-

ing of the Communist Party Cen-

tral Committee that the philosophi-cal legacy of Marx and Lenin should be adjusted to account for

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rust of bureaucratism from the val-

ues and ideals of socialism," Mr.

"We are striving in the present conditions to revive the Leninist

look of the new system, to rid it of

accumulations and deformations,

of everything that shackled society

and prevented it from realizing the

potential for socialism in full mea-

The Central Committee an-

nounced several leadership changes

at the conclusion of the two-day

meeting. The moves appeared to strengthen Mr. Gorbachev's hand,

Boris N. Yeltsin, the former

Moscow party boss who lost his post last November after question-

ing the pace of economic change,

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ber of the Politburo. The move was

Georgi P. Razumovsky, a close

Gorbachev associate and party sec-

retary, and Yuri D. Maslyukov, a

defense industry specialist who re-cently was named head of the State

Planning Committee were promot-

ed to non-voting membership in

Mr. Gorbachev's speech, consid-

ered a major political statement by

the Soviet leader, seemed intended

to provide an ideological justifica-

tion for his campaign to revitalize

the Soviet Union and reshape its

for perestroika in production and in

the spiritual sphere," he said, allud-

ing to his program of economic

restructuring and policy of encour-

aging greater openness.

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A Budget

\$1.1 Trillion Bid

By Tom Kenworthy and George C. Wilson

Winkington Post Service
WASHINGTON - President

ple room for disagreement over do-

mestic spending priorities and re-ductions in military spending.

The budget proposes significant spending increases in the space program, scientific research, anti-

drug effects; education, AIDS re-

also asks Congress to cut spending on public works, mass transit, and development subsidies to local gov-

arch, and law enforcement, but it

Unlike its predecessors during

the Reagan era, the 1989 spending plan is unlikely to spark major bat-tles with the Democratic-con-

trolled Congress over the overall levels of taxes, military expendi-

Those disagreements were set-tled last fall, when top administra-

tion officials and congressional

leaders negotiated a two-year bud-

get agreement calling for a \$76-billion reduction in the deficit

through \$23 billion in higher taxes, reductions in most caregories of U.S. spending and sales of federal

"In presenting this budget, I am epping my end of the bargain. I

call upon Congress to uphold its end," Mr. Reagan said in the mes-

sage accompanying his budget, which is his eighth and last real chance to put his fiscal imprint on

Washington.
Congressional leaders relieved

that last year's budget agreement allows them to avoid an election-

year fight with the administration,

greeted the spending plan more

graciously than in past years, when Mr. Reagan's budgets were often

derided as "dead on arrival."
"I think it's a good-faith bud-

said. "It's right at the targets."

As he has in the past, Mr. Rea-

gan sought to sell a number of federal assets such as the Naval

Petroleum Reserve and the Alaska

Power Administration, which Con-

gress is likely to oppose. Also ex-

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Kiosk

Kohl Reassures

U.S. on A-Arms

WASHINGTON (Reuters)
— Chancellor Helmut Kohl of
West Germany reassured the
Resigni administration Thurs
day that his government is op-

posed to removing all nuclear

weapons from Europe. West German officials said.

Mr. Kohl, in Washington on three-day visit, told Secre-tary of State George P. Shultz that Bonn would accept mod-

emization of short-range mis-

siles that are based mainly on

West German soil, but it want-

ed the West first to chart a

strategy for conventional and nuclear disarmament.

tures and domestic spending.

U.S. and UN Hunt for Hostage Reagan **Proposes**



A resident of Dubai makes an adjustment Thursday to try to stay dry after unusually heavy rainfall swept into the United Arab Emirates. Weather officials recorded 129 millimeters in one day, compared with a normal average for February of 35 millimeters.

Quietly, France Boosts NATO Cooperation

By Joseph Fitchett International Herold Tribune PARIS - Nearly 1,000 U.S. Marines pulled out of a French Army camp on Thursday in sparsely settled sheep-raising country near Limoges in southwestern France and headed back to their 6th Fleet ships after a two-week combat exercise. The exercise was part of a new arrangement allowing U.S. troops

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get," Senator Lawton Chiles, Dem- to train in mainland France for the foreign minister. ocean of Florida, the chairman of first time since 1966, when De the Senate Budget Committee, Gaulle took his nation out of the military structure of the North Atlautic Treaty Organization. involve any French forces, without

> comment. The acceptance of Marines traincement that President Francois Mitterrand and Prime Minister Jacques Chirac will attend the NATO summit meeting next tary cooperation. month, symbolizes the improving military cooperation between the United States and France, which has quietly been expanding its in-volvement with NATO.

For example:

• France's Air Force, always dependent on NATO for radar intelligence, last year purchased AWACS electronic surveillance planes to match the kind used by NATO. The French Navy uses NATO codes and has bought U.S.-made

electronic and communications gear, making joint operations between the two fleets easy, "even easier than with the British," according to a U.S. admiral familiar with allied naval operations off Lebanon in 1986 and in the Gulf

• French ground forces have had the least formal cooperation with the United States. So far, it has been limited to some French units in the Caribbean conducting joint exercises with the Puerto Rican National Guard. Recent months have brought steadily increasing exposure of French forces to West German, British and U.S. troops.

 France last month recommitted itself to open its territory to NATO reinforcements, starting with British units that might wish to use French ports to land on the

• France participates in all the NATO bodies planning joint weap-Public discussion of how much

further France might go and how NATO would have to change to trigger a greater French commitment to Western defense has been frozen until presidential elections

Socialist who has not declared that grounded by the downpour. he is a candidate for re-election, and Mr. Chirac, a Gaullist, both tend the NATO meeting instead of

The changed climate in France is non.' partly explained by the electoral "H tion to NATO.

Most important, however, most ing on French soil, like the an-nonnement that President Fran-tion among French leaders that dealing more openly with NATO is the price for closer European mili-

> The initial French motive for promoting greater European defense activity, ultimately under the NATO umbrella, officials say, was to reassure West Germans that the estern alliance remains a solid

But a growing number of French See FRANCE, Page 6

Reagan Aim Is a 'Rescue' Via Talks

PARIS, FRIDAY KEBRUARY 1988

WASHINGTON — President Ronald Reagan said Thursday that the United States hoped to "rescue" a U.S. Marine officer kidnapped in Lebanon, and a White House spokesman quickly ex-plained that he meant rescue through diplomatic intermediaries. An anonymous caller to a West-

ern news agency in Beirut said that his group, which he called the Is-lamic Revolutionary Brigade, was responsible for the kidnapping on Wednesday. The victim, Licutenant Colonel William R. Higgins, is commander of a United Nations observer group in Lebanon. The Arabic-speaking caller also said that Colonel Higgins was a

ClA agent. Mr. Reagan, when asked by recorters about the kidnapping, said: 'We're doing everything we can."

At a budget meeting with leaders of Congress, he said that the United States was trying to find out as much as it could to "try to get him located." He added, "Certainly we want to rescue him. A White House spokesman said

later: "What the president was referring to was the ongoing efforts through the United Nations and governments to obtain the release of the hostage." Representative Robert H. Mi-

chel of Illinois, the Republican leader in the House, attended the meeting with Mr. Reagan and said later that the use of the word "resby the president."

Colonel Higgins, 43, was forced out of his UN vehicle by three gunmen as he was driving back to his headquarters from a meeting. He was alone in the Jeep, which was behind another UN vehicle. Heavy rain on Thursday ham-

pered UN peacekeeping troops and Shiite Moslem militiamen in their search across southern Lebanon for Significantly, however, the two the abducted officer. UN helicop-front-runners, Mr. Mitterrand, a ters flown by Italian pilots were

In his statement, the anonymous caller in Beirm said: "William Higthought it would be popular to at- gins has joined the hostages. He will only come out after he is tried on grounds that he is one of the Contests before March 8, when 20 states hold primaries or directors of the CIA in south Leba-caucuses, and the numbers of delegates at stake.

"Higgins is now out of Beirut demise of the Communist Party, so after he was brought out from the that neither the Socialists or the south," the caller added. He said a French television reported the Gaullists can expect to gain as written statement and a photo-Marine maneuvers, which did not many votes as they used to by ca-graph would be issued soon. The tering to the Communists' opposi- assertion could not be authenticat-

> Meanwhile, the marine's father, William F. Higgins, 72, died of heart failure in a hospital in Louisville, Kentucky. He had been in the hospital suffering from congestive heart failure, and his son had come home in September to see him.

Marine Sought UN Post Earlier, Molly Moore and Lynda Richardson of The Washington Post reported from Washington: Colonel Higgins "actively

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Republican caucus S. C. 20 delegates Feb. 23 Minnesota Republican caucus 31 delegates Democratic caucus 78 delegates Feb. 23 South Dakota Republican caucus 18 delegates Democratic caucus (Reuters, AP) 15 delegates **March 5 Wyoming**

Democratic caucus Feb. 28 Maine Republican caucus Democratic caucus Republican caucus 37 delegates 23 delegates

EAST GERMAN WINS GOLD - Steffi Walter preparing for a run down the Olympic luge course on Thursday. She won, and her teammates swept the silver and bronze medals. Page 10.

Babbitt and Du Pont Quit U.S. Race, later that the use of the word "rescue" was "an off-the-cuff remark Narrowing the Field in Both Parties by the president."

WASHINGTON - The field of rowed Thursday as Bruce Babbitt and Pierre S. du Pont 4th, a Democrat and a Republican, announced

that they were leaving the race. Mr. Babbitt, a former governor of Arizona, became the first Demo- campaign trail, quoted a friend as cratic victim of the primary elec-saying: "You fought a good fight tion season, ending an underdog — you were in it right up to the tion season, ending an underdog — you we candidacy that he called "the great- beginning

Countdown to Super Tuesday

est joy of my entire public life." Mr. du Pont, a former governor Mr. Babbitt, appreciated for his of Delaware, was the second Re-U.S. presidential contenders nar- self-deprecating humor on the publican to quit. Alexander M. Haig Jr., a former secretary of state, withdrew Feb. 12. Bruce Babbitt chose to end his

campaign while the audience was still smiling. Page 3.

Holding primaries Alread comple

caucuses and the New Hampshire "Today our campaign lowers its. flag, but our crusade continues to march," he told supporters in Wil-

mington, Delaware, "You hav en me the opportunity of a life-He noted his controversial

Mr. du Pont had hoped to make

himself the conservative alternative

to the Republican front-runners,

Vice President George Bush and

Senator Bob Dole of Kansas, but

he finished far down in the Iowa

stands on issues from mandatory drug testing for high school stu-dents to elimination of farm subsi-"We have moved those chal-

lenges forward to the center of the debate," he said. "They are urgent, they are real, they will not disap-

Mr. du Pont, 53, a former congressman and state legislator as well as governor, is a great-great grandson of the founder of the Du Pont Co. Despite his efforts and the familiarity of his name, his candidacy never attracted widespread support in the 17 months after he announced his presidential plans. He thanked his supporters, saying: "In America we do not prom-

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Pushing against the grain of recent Soviet doctrine on a number of issues, Mr. Gorbachev said that the Soviet social contract did not preclude disparities in income among those of different abilities. He contended that personal initiative. long smothered under the Soviet system, was the heart of socialism.

"We have lost and keep losing a lot because of our failure to unshackle grassroots initiative, endeavor and independence completely," Mr. Gorbachev said.

"This is the biggest, the hardest, but also the most important task of perestroika. And it will not be an exaggeration to say that everything today hinges on its fulfillment."

"For the first time in many decades we really feel the socialist

pluralism of views," he said. "This is something unaccustomed and is being assessed in different ways." "We see that there is confusion

in the minds of some people: are we not retreating from the positions of socialism, especially when we introduce new, unaccustomed forms of economic management and social life, are we not revising the Marxist-Leninist teaching itself?

■ Shifts in Politburo Mr. Yeltsin, 57, was brought into

the Politburo by Mr. Gorbachev in 1986 and was named Moscow party boss. But he fell from favor last October when he complained to the

Elementary Chopsticks: Japan Revives the Knack "It's easier to handle a fork and spoon Until 1976, the schools never served rice. programs now provide hashi, or chopsticks, They offered ham sandwiches and other

By Fred Hiatt Washington Post Service

TOKYO — A decade ago, parents and educators here began noticing, with some horror, that Japanese children were losing the knack of eating with chopsticks. Seduced by spoons and by cheeseburgers, the younger generation was not practicing the more difficult, traditional method of eating. Some children held their chopsticks clumsily, some speared their food, some ate "dog-style," with their faces

in their rice bowls, and some could not use chopsticks at all. Faced with this perceived threat to the physical agility and mental acuity of the next generation — and to an essential element of Japanese culture - the Ministry of Education launched a program of "utensil

reform.' Now, thanks in part to that effort, chopsticks are making a comeback. A government poll published Wednesday revealed that 90 percent of Japanese school lunch

for some meals. This is an increase from 69 percent in 1983 and less than 10 percent in

"I think the trend is going the right way now, because all over Japan traditional culture is being revived," said Tsuneo Baba, an elementary school vice principal. Still, Mr. Baba cautioned that the battle was not over, at least judging from the 336 pupils in his Taimei Elementary School in Tokyo. "Frankly speaking," he said. "the children are not skillful."

In a second-grade class, two dozen 7year-olds provided the evidence to back up that statement as they wrestled garnely with large pieces of fish and mixed vegeta-

None of the children went hungry, but none — with perhaps the exception of Tani Yuta, who said his mother had worked on his form throughout the last summer vacation - would have won many points for

and many kids just hold onto that habit," said the teacher. Aya Takeuchi, a 25-year veteran of the classroom. "I think the capacity is clearly declining."

13 delegates

March 5 South Carolina

But Ms. Takeuchi, too, is fighting back-Beginning this year, she will use a chopstick video to train her pupils in proper finger holds. To eat with chopsticks is to train the

hand, and so the brain," she said. "And to eat beautifully is the first step toward living a civilized life."

The technique of using two long sticks of wood or ivery to carry food from bowl to mouth originated in China and reached Japan more than 1,000 years ago, according to hashi historians in Tokyo.

Changes in diet after World War II triggered a long, and at first unnoticed decline in chopstick use. When U.S. occupation forces started a school lunch program for undernourished children, the staple was

Western food and provided forks and spoons, or a utensil that looks like a cross between the two and is said to encourage the worst possible manners. Outside the schools, people were learn-

ing to appreciate spaghetti, hamburgers and other culinary wonders of the Western world that seemed to make chopsticks superfluous. "In some cases, chopsticks are rarely used in the home," Ms. Takeuchi said disapprovingly.

So when school officials began serving rice and traditional Japanese meals from time to time - in deference to the powerful rice farmers' lobby as well as to tradition -they received a surprise.

"We gradually came to understand that children's ability to use chopsticks was very low," Toshio Kudo, the deputy director of the school lunch division of the Ministry of Education, said. "So utensil reform was necessary."

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By Alison Leigh Cowan

New York Times Service NEW YORK - Studies show that the typical consumer is bombarded by 5,000 advertising messages a day, and the number of ads is expected to increase steadily. That trend has many executives in the industry worried about growing advertising clutter.
In Baltimore, drivers can learn about Jeeps

from 4,000 of the city parking meters. Manufac-turers' spiels have replaced piped-in massic in 9,000 supermarkets and drugstores. Skiers at 200 resorts can view strategically placed soup ads on their way up the slopes. Even public restrooms now have ads in their stalls.

In one of the most successful of such marketing experiments, Roman Catholic churchgoers in five cities were able to read about meatless recipes calling for Campbell Soup products in their church bulletins during Lent. A survey found that a whopping 38 percent of the worshipers recalled the recipes, and that 26 percent had tried them, results that Campbell officials speculated had something to do with parishioners reading them during the sermon.

Many of these untraditional ad outlets had billed themesives as a fresh environment for

billed themselves as a fresh environment for advertising, less cluttered than overused and ex-pensive television, print and radio. But there is growing imease that the substitutes — so-called alternative media — may contribute to the clut-

ter problem they purport to solve. To some, the debut of such alternative media was only a matter of time. "Find me a flat surface, and I'll find you someone selling advertising on it," said Paul Mulcahy, vice president for advertising at Campbell Soup Co. been known to spend as much as \$100,000 on a

promising concept in alternative media. Even so, Campbell passed up the chance to advertise in public restroom stalls, space offered by Stallwords Inc. of Boca Raton, Florida, Rich-

ard L. Weisman, president of Stallwords, said his literature promises that "the only way not to read our ads is to close your eyes." Several other large marketers, however, including Holiday Inn, Rubbermaid and Merrill Lynch Realty, have taken up Stallwords' unusual offer.

Others, however, worry that proliferation of such alternative media could annoy consumers. "Ski lifts are noise, parking meters are noise," said Joseph E. Laird Jr., a Hambrecht & Quist Inc. analyst. "That stuff is not dealing with clutter. It's adding to it."

Marketers may have little choice, contends

Christopher Whittle, chairman of Whittle Communications, a magazine publisher. In traditional media, numerous sponsors vie for consumers' attention. Instead, he said, "Advertisers should put a portion of their advertising dollars into developing media, because it has low clutter and it has a certain newness to it." Sensitive to concerns about overcrowding, his own company

limits advertising by product category, and arranges for advertisers to act as exclusive sponsors for 28 of the 35 magazine titles it publishes. So far, the clutter problem has cluded bard measurement. Everyone agrees that more commercial messages are reaching consumers than ever before. Of the 5,000 daily commercial mes-sages — a total of nearly two million a year — consumers remember only I to 3 percent without

prompting, according to a study commissioned by Whittle Communications. "It's not comforting." Mr. Whittle said.

But it is far less clear at what level, if any.

consumers reach their ad limit. Do people tune out commercial messages because their ability to process them is overwhelmed or have they deemed the information useless? "My belief is that consumers are extremely efficient sorters of information," said John A.

Quelch, a marketing professor at Harvard Busi-

ness School, "Most of the complaints about clut-

ter come from advertisers that are marketing products that are mature and rather boring with little differentiation. So the consumer quite correctly sees little value in paying attention."

Marketers, undaunted about the appeal of their products, nonetheless keep plugging, and their experiments with the alternative media often succeed at the outset. But the effectiveness can dwindle as the novelty wears off, as other advertisers move in, and as wary consumers

develop defenses. Even when they work, alternative media are not for everyone. "An old company with manure brands like Campbell's, all they have to do is remind people to use their products," said Rajeev Batra, an associate professor of marketing at the Columbia University business school. "But for a new company or new brand that has not yet

communicated why consumers should use their See CLUTTER, Page 15



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John Demjanjuk cleaning his glasses Thursday at his war-crimes trial in Jerusalem.

Reckoning Nears: Is Demjanjuk Treblinka's Ivan? By Francis X. Clines New York Times Service terrified and naked, down the "clamab" at the following the "c

New York Times Service

dwindling as the son sits in the front row of case of mistaken identity and Soviet conspirthe theater audience watching his father on acy reached its emotional climax on Wednesstage, the older man all pink pate and owlish day when the defense compared it to the a television camera. stare as he absorbs the accusation that he is Dreyfus affair, the 1890s French scandal of the Nazi killer nicknamed Ivan the Terrible, doctored evidence and official bias. The the gas chamber operator of the Treblinka Demianiuk defense refused to recant the

"This is it," said John Demjanjuk Jr. as the demands from the angry Israeli court. defense went through its final few days of "I know Ivan the Terrible really existed,"

exchange with his father each morning for defense of his father.

trial has been so open to public scrutiny.

It is precisely one year since the trial began with the 68-year-old father, John Demjanjuk, extradited from Cleveland to face Israel's charge that he slew countless thousands of Jews as a death camp guard. Survivors recall Ivan the Terrible displaying sadistic final chute into the gas chamber.

allusion to the anti-Semitic scandal, despite

summation, with verdict approaching on his the 22-year-old son said, dressed as ever in business suit and tie, busy with an attache wandered through like no other tourist, donbusiness suit and tie, busy with an attache "He knows he's not forgotten," said the case of documents and correspondence that bly stunned at the attempt to place his father son, who misses the hug he was able to mark his firmly filial role, career, life in at the heart of such atrocious history.

by witnesses and documents.

feeling for human life," the son said, "and I Hussein of Jordan serving as one of the rare absolutely know my father is the opposite, an heads of state willing to visit President Kurt emotional person, humanistic, helps anyone Waldheim of Austria in the middle of his

enthusiasm as condemned throngs were sent, the end of another day in court, a gentle tone of Jerusalem, Haj Amin el-Husseini, calling selves from the emotional context."

night of East Jerusalem. There, he sleeps in a JERUSALEM — The time of trial is The defense contention that this is a gross comfortable hotel while his father rests in a sit down at the back of the converted theater.

guilty. The son, early on in his long stay in Jerusalem, went up to sample the dark sto-ries and images of Yad Vashem. This is the bilitop memorial museum to the annihilated

"Remembrance is the secret of survival," the first five weeks of the trial, before courtroom procedure was tightened.

"I guess they figured a guy who's supposed to be a monster in the dock can't be seen hugging his son," said the son, hardly masking his resentment but grateful, too, that the trial has been so once to while one standard or the first five weeks of the trial, before courtlock in Poland will permit the full defense of indeed ever wisps across the present mohugging his son," said the son, hardly masking his resentment but grateful, too, that the
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Apt resonances were found by some Israe-"Ivan was a sociopath, someone with no is in the recent news photographs of King

the city, always watched by three guards and mutely on stage right between two guards a television camera. The son concedes his fear that the three as the time for judgment nears. The some judge tribunal will pronounce his father offers a cross section of the nation, wind as a property of the nation of the nation, wind as a property of the nation of the nation, wind as a property of the nation of the nation, wind as a property of the nation of t Daumier painting, as a young woman, a study in dramatic dress and eye shadow, tape asks him to remove his big black hat the better to eye the accused.

Up at the bench, the chief judge, Doy Levin, remains as exasperated as he was a year ago with the tireless protests of Young Sheftel, the Tel Aviv defense counsel famous before now mainly for having once defended Meyer Lansky, the American underworld figure. Mr. Sheftel moved full-throated into his fifth straight day of final summary and forgot to don his black court robe. The judge leapt at the chance to needle the lawyer.

"Mr. Sheftel, we were concentrating so hard. on your summation that we didn't even me

The defendant could smile at that, but his son contends such moments may betray a lost cause. "I hope the judges make the night decision in this," he said. "But I just don't trouble. devial of Nazi complicity. A prominent mudecision in this, he said. But I just that He is an intense young man who offers, at ral at Yad Vashem depicts the wartime Mufti think they are capable of removing them.

U.S. Barred Waldheim After Reading Captured German File

By David Binder

New York Times Service
WASHINGTON — The Justice Department based one of its principal charges against President Kurt Waldheim of Austria, possibly making him an accessory to war crimes, on captured German documents that point to his involvement in the deportation of 488 Yugoslav civilians to slave labor camps in

The documents were cited in support of the decision last year by the department to bar Mr. Wald-

beim from the United States. that the 49 pages of documents concerning the episode show that Mr. Waldheim, then a lieutenant assigned as liaison officer to the 5th Italian Alpine Division, was informed about the roundup of the Yugoslav civilians and their transfer to the authority of "the higher SS and Police Führer, Belgrade, for

forced labor in Norway. The officials said that on the ba-



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the first three weeks of May 1942, the Justice Department concluded Justice Department had built part that Mr. Waldheim must have faof its case against Mr. Waldheim in his capacity as liaison officer.

heim by function but not by name. ment. In April, the Justice Department announced that Mr. Waldheim had

1942 to 1945. tion as slave labor. But it provided

Mr. Waldheim has acknowledged serving "as an interpreter" Examination of the documents attached to the 5th Italian Alpine shows that, while they might lead a

involved in war crimes, the authors legal proceedings you never have state that "he was not involved in everything" that would lead to a combat operations or the deporta- sure conviction.

Justice Department had built part cilitated the deportation operation on the same incident on the basis of separate documents in the posses-The documents cite Mr. Wald- sion of the United States govern-

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Mr. Waldheim has called for the release to his government of the been placed on a list of people documents reportedly incriminat-barred from entering the United ing him. The Justice Department States on the ground that he had refused, saying that it did not want ne department to bar Mr. Wald-eim from the United States.

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By Serge Schmemann

VIENNA - The conservative

New York Times Service

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WORLD BRIEFS

French Terror Leader Gets 12 Years

PARIS (AP) - Nathalie Ménigon, a leader of the Direct Action athan guerrilla group, has been sentenced to 12 years in prison for the attempt.

After deliberating for 35 minutes late Wednesday, a special criminal court panel of seven judges sentenced Miss Menigon for frong at the 1800 policemen in 1980, when they closed in on her and her companion Real Marc Rouillan. The policemen were not burt.

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Miss Ménigon, Mr. Rouillan and two other defendants, Joële Anhord and Georges Cipriani, have been on a hunger strike for 80 days to protest their isolation in prison. They are on trial for crimes ranging from robbery to attempted murder. Miss Ménigon, pale and thin; attended the opening of her trial Wednesday in a wheelchair. She refused to answer

questions, saying she was too weak. Russian Says U.S. Blocks Arms Pact

GENEVA (AP) —A Soviet deputy foreign minister said Thursday that the simution at the U.S. Soviet arms talks in Geneva has "noticeably deteriorated," and that the U.S. position was impeding agreement on

reductions in strategic nuclear weapons.

"It is difficult to forecast with a sufficient degree of certainty how these negotiations will proceed further," Vladimir F. Petrovsky, the Senior minister, said. He said the Soviet Union hoped that the visit of Seciency of State George P. Shultz to Moscow next week would 'provide the necessary clarity as to the further intentions" of the U.S. side.

The two sides have said they are trying to conclude a treaty on retracing strategic nuclear forces before a U.S.-Soviet summit meeting expected in May or June. Mr. Petrovsky said the Soviet Union is convinced that a treaty could be prepared in time for a summit meeting, but he said a whole set of rather difficult issues remain to be solved."

Salvador Prisoner Alleges Coercion

SAN SALVADOR (WP) — A man who had admitted to being a leftin rebel and to participating in the number in October of a prominent human rights leader retracted his confession Thirsday, saying he had nothing to do with the crime and had been pressured and threatened. "My confession in matters relating to this case was not true," said lorge. Alberto Miranda in a hand-written statement to the First Criminal Court. The actions taken against me and my family pressured me into taking responsibility for actions I did not commit.

If Mr. Miranda was not involved in the killing, it would be a serious

embarrassment for President José Napoleon Duarte and the security forces. In January, Mr. Duarte said on national television that Mr. partner in the governing coalition with the Socialists.

Mr. Mock declared himself unimpressed. "I don't see one or five impressed. "I don't see one or five impressed." The president, Mr. Mock said, such decisions as signs that the sion. The government asserts that the rebels have pressured Mr. Miranda to retract his confession by threatening his family.

in office, then the democrat has to respect the decision whether he heim's role in the observation next Ethiopia to Push Resettlement Plans

likes or dislikes it." Continued politicking over the issue, he said, "would open up graves and endanger trust in institutions."

Mr. Waldheim declared Monday that he would serve his full six-year term, despite the report of a commission of historians that found he interest the observation next month of the 50th anniversary of the Anschluss, the forced annexment program for drought victims despite allegations abroad that the government is forcing people to take part, Prime Minister Fikre Sclassic wondered compromise said on Wednesday.

He said in a statement that the charges by the British Broadcasting to coordinated campaign" designed to turn the international community against his country.

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pie's Party, Erhard Buzek, suggested that all observations could be canceled, while the party's senior official in Salzburg, Franz Schaudeim to step down so far have come from the intelligentsia and the Socialists, including a veiled threat on Sunday by Chancellor Franz Vranitzky that he himself would have to step down if the furor continued.

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Mr. Mock pave no indication of the discussions held Thursday among People's Party leaders. Several recent developments have seminal properties. most demands for Mr. Waldheim to step down so far have come from the intelligentsia and the Socialists, including a veiled threat on Sunday by Chancellor Franz Vranitzky that he himself would have to step down if the furor continued.

Mr. Mock gave no indication of the Oberosterreichische Nachtrichten, which said in an editorial that he was "partly responsible for the discussions held Thursday among People's Party leaders. Several recent developments have demonstrated a most self in office" and so should resign.

army says Moslem rebels are poised to resume a separatist war.

A government announcement of the postponement followed military reports that rebels of the Moto National Liberation Front were massing in a mountainous area for possible attacks. Government sources said the Mrs. Aquino's safety was among the reasons for the postponement of her trip, which they said had been reset for late next week.

The government-run Philippine News Agency quoted the Mindanao forces were sighted near the Bukidnon-Cotabato mountains and that a battalion of troops had been sent to secure the area.

Japan to Continue Research Whaling

TOKYO (Renters) — Japan will continue whale hunting for research purposes despite a U.S. warning that it will cut Japan's fishing rights in U.S. waters, a Japanese Foreign Ministry spokesman confirmed Thurs-

day.

The spokesman expressed regret over a statement last week by the U.S. commerce secretary, C. William Verity Ir., that Japan's fish allocation in U.S. waters could be cut by half following Japan's decision to comme what it describes as "scientific" whaling. "We continue scientific whaling," the Foreign Ministry spokesman said, adding that Japan did not accept any "emotional and sentimental argument" on whales "without scientific background."

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He said the International Whating Commission convention allows the killing of whales for research. The commission amounced Monday that its members had voted, 19 to 6, to call on Japan to stop research whating

For the Record

The Committee on Standards of Official Conduct of the U.S. Heiself of Representatives recommended Thursday that Representative Mario Reason aggi, the New York Democrat convicted of accepting illegal grainities be expelled from Congress. To take effect, the recommendation manager approved by a two-thirds majority of the House.

The Nigerian military government closed five more university entropies in the eastern state of Anambra, bringing to eight the number standards effort to halt student protests, officials said Thursday.

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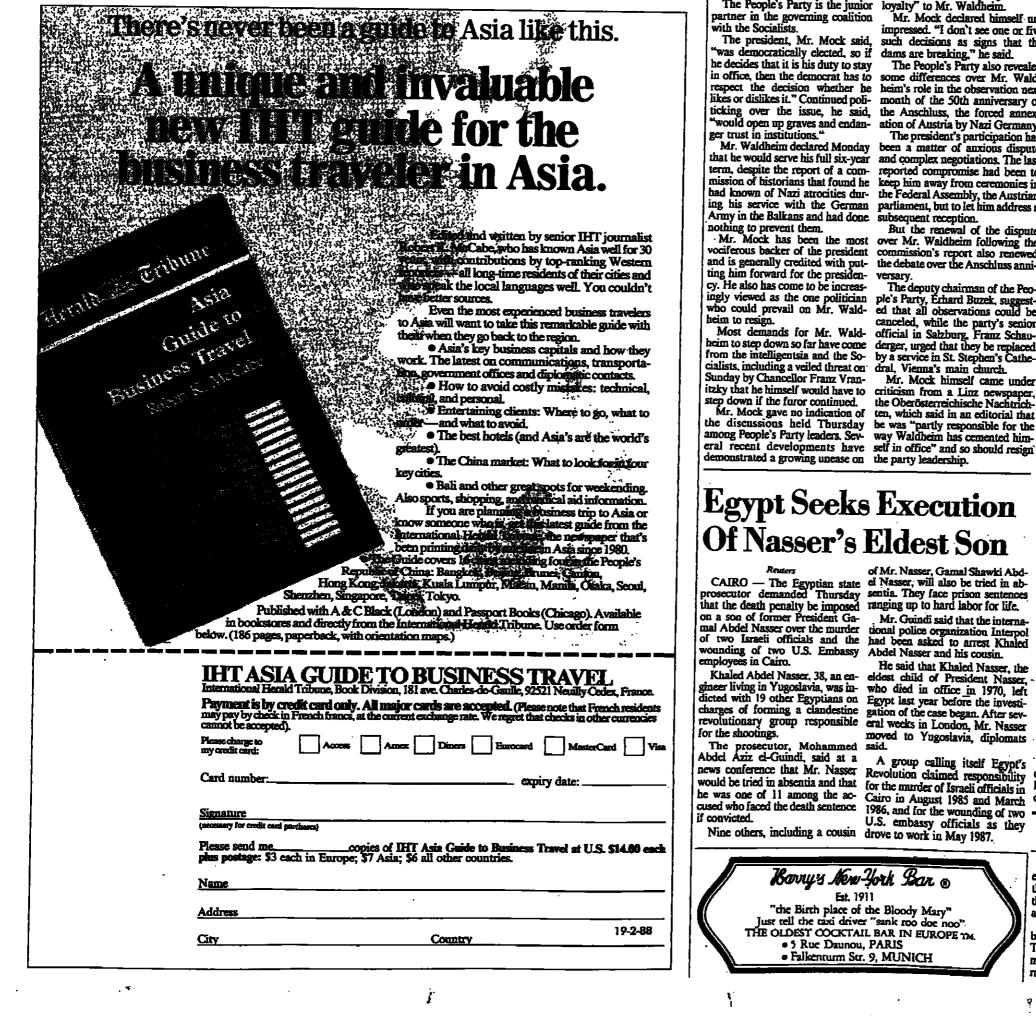
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AIDS, U.S. Study Finds "AIDS and Health Insurance," fo-New York Times Service
WASHINGTON — Most U.S. cused on individual and family pol-icies rather than group policies and said it was unclear "how insurers health insurance companies screen ascertain an applicant's sexual preference." Insurers evidently tried to identify homosexual applicants, believing that they had a higher risk of contracting AIDS. applicants for signs that they are infected with the AIDS virus, and some consider sexual orientation a factor in deciding on eligibility, ac-cording to a congressional study. In another development related to acquired immune deficiency syndrome, some of the leading U.S.

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Screen Applicants for

By Robert Pear

by a citizens' commission.

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The insurance study, issued

Wednesday by the Congressional Office of Technology Assessment,

said that 86 percent of commercial

insurers tried to identify applicants who had been infected with the

Most insurers now ask AIDS-

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tion forms, the study said, and re-

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About half the commercial in-

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ies indicating infection with the AIDS virus, the study said.

companies responding to a survey by the congressional agency, 18 said they sometimes considered

sexual orientation as a factor in

underwriting decisions. The report

Most states permit health insur-

At least nine states have adopted

rules or policies forbidding insurers

to use sexual orientation as a factor

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The U.S. government has recorded more than 52,000 AIDS cases. Homosexual and hisexual men accompanies and organizations en-dorsed on Wednesday a new 10-point "bill of rights" on AIDS is-soes in the workplace, formulated dropped in the past year.

Benno G. Isaacs, a spokesman Key elements of the code include for the Health Insurance Associaa promise not to discriminate against workers with AIDS and a tion of America, which represents 360 commercial insurance companies, said he was surprised to learn fears of castral contagion. It also includes a promise to keep medical that insurers were considering the sexual orientation of applicants.

The health insurance industry "does not condone the use of sexual orientation to identify AIDS risks," he said. "It is disturbing that any company would be found to engage in this practice."

However, the industry insists on the right to test applicants for infection with the virus, he said.

The endorsement of a "bill of rights" on AIDS issues in the workplace reflects growing involvement by U.S. employers in AIDS issues. It was described as the first time that a group of companies and or-ganizations in the United States has subscribed to a uniform, written policy on AIDS. "It's distinctive — unique — at

done will certainly be replicated in other regions," said B.J. Stiles, the president of the National Leadership Coalition on AIDS. The coalition, based in Washington, was formed by business lead-

action on AIDS. The new code, titled "Responding to AIDS: Ten Principles for the Workplace," was developed by the Citizens Commission on AIDS for New York City and Northern New Jersey, formed last year with grants from 17 foundations.

"We believe the AIDS workplace rinciples can provide leadership in this complex and emotionally charged arena, in much the same manner that the Sullivan Principles offered guidance regarding invest-ment policies in South Africa," said the co-chairman of the commission. John E. Zuccotti.

Among those adopting the AIDS principles were the International Business Machines Corp., the American Telephone and Telegraph Co., the IIT Corp., Time Inc., Johnson & Johnson, Dow aws in most states.

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Estimates of the costs for caring for an AIDS patient range from \$45,000 to \$130,000 depending on the patient's ailments, the type of care and the length of hospital stay.

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Sent about 1.5 million employees.

Another commission member, Thomas B. Stoddard, said, "There is still an appalling lack of information." He cited a recent survey indicating that a third of those polled believed they could contract AIDS in a cafeteria.

Set Class on Arms Race

By Catherine Stavrakis the Academy of Sciences and a se particular Tribunc in a cafeteria.



618th day of his campaign, Bruce
Babbitt stopped campaigning, Instead, he drank a chocolate milk
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the world at a news conference ed into popular support or money. Thursday, off the trail for the Democratic presidential nomination. His campaign, which brought him foundered Tuesday in a disap-pointing 5 percent finish in the New Hampshire primary. Unlike the other marginal candidates who announced successes after faltering finishes and slogged on, Mr. Babbitt wanted to exit while the audience was still smiling.

markably good humor. Perhaps, he cratic debate in Houston in July, it said, that was because he knew he would never have to woll down another turkey sandwich in another van while being interviewed by another reporter on the way to another campaign event.

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With his razor-sharp sense of irony, Mr. Babbitt observed about his reputation as sweetheart of the press corps: "I would like to say a word to all of those Americans who worry that the press is a giant conspiracy that controls politics: You have nothing to fear. The press has

Mr. Babbitt's campaign stumbled last summer, as other candi-He was, for a man about to give dates were getting their moments in up his presidential dream, in re- the sun. In the first major Demowas clear from Mr. Babbitt's headbobbing and dour demeanor that he had not yet become friends with the all-important camera.

He recalls that his lowest moment came on "a hot miserable He did not find fault in his stars. Sunday in Des Moines," when he or in himself.

"Was it unfair or amazing that I was calling on fund-raisers and "halfheartedly trying to reassure" one of them that his campaign

McLaughlin Report on television and they're saying you're announc-ing your withdrawal from the

"It was," he said, "a hilarious but less than exhilarating moment." He picked himself up, brushed himself off and agreed to take lessons in video artistry.

He got his moment in the sun in December and January, when he was featured in a wave of positive articles. But the momentum never followed and the public never responded to Mr. Babbitt's urging to face reality and raise taxes.

"Toward the end of Iowa, we began to realize that the momentum wasn't quite there," said Mike McCurry, Mr. Babbitt's press aide. In New Harnoshire, he said, they accepted the fact that they could make the turn South.

Mr. Babbitt said he does not regret his stand on taxes.

"You've got to take risks," he said. "Politics, at its best, is a transcendent process. What's important is the debate about our future. if you don't speak up about what you believe to voters, then it's just a giant cattle show where you're say-ing. I'm shinier than the next

He worries about bumper-sticker politics where slogans and slick performances are more important

"And the guy said to me, 'But, "We are in an environment Bruce, I'm looking at the where politics has lost its sense of purpose because it's catering to voters rather than inspiring them." he said. But he is not cynical; he merely thinks candidates need to

keep "speaking up." Mr. Babbitt feels he influenced the race in important ways. "I hope I've influenced the de-

bate on foreign policy," he said, "so that it's based on an understanding of the economic revolution around the world and not a conspiracy of fear where the U.S. is under assault by a Marxist conspiracy.



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OAU 25 YEARS YOUNG!

The first Continental Organization of its kind in the world, the Organization of African Unity (OAU) will celebrate its silver Jubilee (25th May 1988) in its Headquarters seat of Addis Ababa (Ethiopia).

According to its Charter, the OAU objectives are ones of promoting unity and solidarity of the African States (50), ∞ ordinating and intensifying their co-operation and efforts to achieve a better life for the peoples of Africa, defending their sovereignty, their territorial integrity and independence and promoting international co-operation, having due regard to the UN Charter and the Universal Declaration of Human

Since its inception in 1963, the OAU maintained its annual Summit, which is a democratic forum where the Heads of State and Government exchange views on the Continent's attairs, be it political, economical, educational, cultural or social, scientific, defence and security. In its endeavour to liberate the Continent, the OAU succeeded in liberating 18 countries from colonialism between 1963 and 1980. Only two pockets remain so far, South Africa and Namibia whose national liberation movements are engaged with the help of the OAU - in fierce struggle to rid them from the monstrous apartheid grip. In Namibia the momentum of the Liberation struggle led to the International recognition of Namibia's independence as stipulated in United Nations Security Council Resolution 435 of 1978. Namibia's independence is imminent despite the so-called linkage and constructive engagement policy.

The liberation struggle inside and outside South Africa. spear-headed by national liberation movements (ANC and PAC), exposed to the world at large the oppressive practices and discrimination policies perpetrated by the tragile apartheid machinery. Africa will certainly rid itself of Pretoria's destabilization acts against neighbouring African States when a democratic and non-racial South Africa is born under black majority rule.

The OAU, however, since April 1980 took the economic development course as a priority following the achievement of independence by almost all its Member States. The Lagos Plan of Action (LPA), the Final Act of Lagos which identified the creas of economic development in Africa were topped by Africa's Priority Programme for Economic Recovery (APPER) adopted in 1985. While being an overall and realistic instrument, the priority programme depends for its implementation on self-reliance and Africa's available resources, and has in line with its objectives, maintained contacts with the industri-alized world. The OAU planned through the instruments mentioned LPA and APPER to contain the prevailing economic constraints with a view to establishing an African Common Market and eventually an African Economic Community in the long term. That, however, does not stop the OAU from continuing with the liberation struggle!

One of the negative aspects that hampered Africa's economy and progress is the mounting external debt (U.S.\$200 Billion). The OAU convened an extraordinary Summit in November/December 1987 which addressed itself to the problem. The Summit was meant to promote dialogue and tors. Africa's Common Position on the issue was the lirst serious step to give the Continent the chance to take its breath before stabilizing its economy and relaming its structures.

Will Africa survive? The OAU answer is yes as long as understanding and mutual co-operation are secured. The political will is always demonstrated by the very existence of the OAU for the last 25 years. The first decade was to liberate Africa, the second was the turning point of the OAU by heading for economic development. The third decade is now around the corner and it constitutes a real challenge for Africa, but surely it will survive.

New Hampshire Casualty: Poll Accuracy

By Lloyd Grove

Bruce Babbitt

Washington Past Service
WASHINGTON — For Vice this point, but I think what they've President George Bush and his supborror story.

Mr. Kohut is president of the Gallup Poll, whose final New ers last year to promote corporate Hampshire survey was wrong by 17 points. It had put Mr. Dole ahead by eight; Mr. Bush won by nine. "I was dismayed," Mr. Kohut acknowledged Wednesday. This New Hampshire primary

was perhaps the most-polled primary election in American history, and in the end, the Republican voters in the state confounded the pre-dictions of nearly every published survey of voter opinion. Gallup's glaring error and the miscalls of other polling organizations once again raise questions about the accuracy of poils, their

use by the news media and the impact they have on voters' choices and the public perception of elections. In an apologetic memo to his clients distributed Wednesday, Mr. Kohut wrote that "we did not put

parallel syllabus between Ameri-can and Soviet colleges, Tufts Uni-versity and the University of Mos-

cow are offering a joint class this spring on the history of the arms

Three times during the course.

on March 5, April 9 and April 30, the two classes will be linked by satellite for two-hour discussions of

arms-control issues. While there al-

ready have been several television

linkups between the Soviet Union

and the United States, these will be unique in their exclusive focus on

the history of nuclear weapons.

The three discussions will be

shown live on Soviet television and

on public television stations in the United States.

that in primary elections voter sen- showed the sudden collapse of of how public opinion is moving in timent can change literally over- Bush support in New Hampshire. an election can affect the final night."

He added: "The lesson learned is porters, his 9-percentage-point vic-tory over Senator Bob Dole in New appears stable, it remains vulnerathat even if a front-runner's lead Hampshire was a delightful sur-prise. For Andrew Kohut, it was a port is soft."

He vowed to "do more analysis of the potential ways voter sentiment can change." In New Hampshire this year, the

use by news organizations of "tracking polls" to try to follow the movement of public opinion night after night came to dominate news accounts of the campaigning and the thinking of the campaigns Tracking polls usually survey a

political party, in the case of The in New Hampshire. Washington Post-ABC News Poll. knowledge its risks.

He said they were "good at measur-Jones & Co., U.S. News & World enough emphasis" on the softness ing movement" but not so reliable Mr. Wirthlin was telling report-

Velikov was in charge of the clean-

About 500 students in the Soviet

Union and 360 students in the

United States are taking the class-

Because there is only a limited

amount of material on the subject

available in both languages, the

two classes will share only a few texts. One of the projects of the

class will be to develop a Soviet-American anthology on the arms

race, to be co-sponsored by the International Research and Ex-change Board of Princeton, New

Jersey, and to be published in both

Four or five guest experts are to take part in each of the satellite

linkups, which are to be moderated by Mr. Sherwin and Mr. Velikov.

Mr. Sherwin has suggested to Mr.

Velikov that Andrei D. Sakharov,

one of the developers of the Sovie

hydrogen bomb, be included among the list of Soviet panelists.

clear weapons.

multaneous translation.

For the first discussion, on "The Early History of the Arms Race,"

up after the nuclear power plant leak at Chernobyl in April 1986.

Soviet and U.S. Colleges

The Post-ABC survey detected a choices of some voters - the drop in the vice president's support "bandwagon effect," he called it. during the two days before the Mr. Bush might have done better, lowa precinct caucuses, a trend Mr. Bartels said, if voters had betthat continued after Mr. Dole de-ter understood that the tide was feated Mr. Bush by 2 to 1 in Iowa. running in his favor in the closing

Mr. Bush once enjoyed a New Hampshire lead of 20 points or more, according to many surveys of at the last minute are the pollster's sentiment in the state. By late last nemesis. Exit polls of actual voters week, according to the tracking polls, that lead was gone and the race was even. Some surveys, including The Post's, found Mr. Dole choices.

ahead last Friday and Saturday. Because news accounts over the weekend were dominated by reports of Mr. Dole's success and apparent momentum in New relatively small number of voters Hampshire, the outcome made the every night: 150 to 400 in each Kansas senator look like a big loser

"Clearly, who wins in New The results are then averaged over Hampshire and what political con-several days. Polisters believe this sequences result therefrom are technique is helpful because it de-tects movement, but they also actions," said Mr. Dole's pollster, Richard Wirthlin, who also was Richard Morin, polling director caught by surprise. "Putting the of The Washington Post, said race at 35 to 27" — this was Galtracking polls particularly can pose lup's spread - "had to create and problems in a fast-changing race, reinforce the perception that we were far out in front."

as predictors of the outcome.
In fact, it was tracking polls that the voting that Mr. Dole would win news media tracking polls showed the momentum had gone back to Mr. Bush.

nior adviser to Mr. Gorbachev. Mr. er way.

Mr. Bartels said media accounts rested.

Young Hijackers The Assuranted Press DAR ES SALAAM, Tanzania

Tanzania Jails

- Four Tanzanian teen-agers have been sentenced Wednesday to 15 years in prison for hijacking an Air

Voters who make up their minds

by network news organizations in-

dicated that a significant number in

New Hampshire did make very late

Tanzania Bocing 737. The sentences were handed down Wednesday, a day after Muhsin Waziri Haji, 17, Juma Husein Juma, 17, Iddi Muhammed Hamisi, 17, and Jani Ameir Ramadhani, 18, all from Zanzibar, pleaded guilty to charges of hijacking and conspiracy to cause violence on an aircraft.

the momentum had gone back to Mr. Bush.

Larry Bartels, a professor of political science at Stanford Universi
litical science at Stanford University who studies the impact of voters' manjaro and ordered the pilot to perceptions on elections, said it was fly them to London. The pilot told surprising that the perception — the hijackers the plane needed to the news — was that Dole was refuel and suggested they land at catching up" at a time when the an airfield in Kenya. Instead, he geni P. Velikov, vice president of catching up" at a time when the an airfield in Kenya. Instead, he the Academy of Sciences and a se-tracking polls were moving the other law back to Dar es Salaam, where the four were overnowered and arthe four were overpowered and ar-

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The Board of Directors has proposed an increase in dividends per share, to SEK 5.25 (4.50).

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several acquisitions and higher investments in buildings and machinery.

Capital gains from investments in securities are reported among nonrecurring items.

paid, income per share amounted to SEK 17.00 (13.70).

Income per share after full tax increased 25 percent to SEK 13.50

(10.80), based on preliminary figures for 1987. After actual tax

The Board of Directors will propose to the Annual General Meet-

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AGA Group Preliminary results for 1987.

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favorably and profit margins increased. The acquisitions of the Rommenhöller Group, Duffour et Igon, and Norsk Hydro's ges companies in Sweden and Finland contributed to the positive trend of income during the year. in parallel, financing costs rose as a result of the

acquisitions and comprehensive investment programs.

Consolidated goodwill of nearly SEK 1,000 m from acquisitions during 1987 was written off directly against free shareholders' equity, in accordance with the IAS 22 international accounting recommendation.

Frigoscandia's income was largely unchanged compared with the preceding year. Very poor vegetable harvests in 1987 reduced handling and storage revenues. Operations were expanded through the acquisitions of Stein Associates in the U.S. and, at the end of June, Frigofresh in Great Britain.

Income from tool steel operations, which include Uddeholm Tooling and ASSAB, declined in 1987 due to production stoppages, weak market conditions and the decline of the U.S. dollar. The operations were streamlined further and a steel distribution company was acquired in the U.S.

Energy operations, which comprise Uddeholm Kraft and its subsidiaries, reported strongly improved income after financial items, partly as a result of transactions completed during 1986.

The official financial report for 1987 will be released on March 25 and AGA's Annual General Meeting will be held on May 30. Lidingo, Sweden, February 10, 1988 AGA AKTIEBOLAG Board of Director:



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cial Conduct of the U.S. has a that Representative has lot according illegal grants in the recommendation as the House ZAKTSHA.3. METAXA



To Be Replaced in Summer New York Times Service WASHINGTON - The United to replace Morris Draper, the con-States is planning to change ambas-sadors to Israel next summer. Ac-

cording to State Department offi-cials. William A. Brown, the ambassador to Thailand, will re-place Thomas R. Pickering, who has served in Tel Aviv since 1985. Mr. Brown, a career Foreign Service officer, is known as an affable and discreet diplomat. During earlier assignments in Moscow and Israel, he usually greeted a questioner's inquiry about a diplomatic matter with a shrug and a smile —

and no information. Mr. Pickering is scheduled to return to Washington to be undersecretary of state for management.

The State Department also plans ip C. Wilcox Jr., a deputy assistant secretary of state who deals with Israel, Jordan, Lebanon and Egypt. The consul general in Jerusalem

has something approaching ambas-sadorial status. He reports directly to the State Department, not to the U.S. Embassy in Tel Aviv, a situa-tion that reflects the refusal of Washington to recognize Israeli

going on since early December.

Mr. Sakharov was released in 1986 after almost seven years of internal exile in Gorky for, among other offenses, demanding a ban on nu-Operating income The Soviet and American stu-dents will be able to question the Net financial items panels and one another. Discussion Income after financial items will be made possible through si Capital gains from investments The course is to be repeated in Other nonrecurring items Operations, SEK m Gas operations 1,097 Operating income income after financial items

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sovereignty over Jerusalem.

A key aspect of the post includes maintaining contacts with Palestinians in East Jerusalem and the Israeli-occupied West Bank, where demonstrations and riots have been

Herald Eribune.

After New Hampshire

that New Hampshire was not going to Tuesday might well seduce them to the anoint the presidential nominees any more Republican side. Three points explain why: than lowa did. The public may thirst for that Democrat on to victory. How inconvenient. Why, if this keeps up, the nominees will end up being drably chosen according

to how many delegates they have won. That is one reason so much attention now focuses on March 8, when 20 states will vote in primaries or caucuses. Even Super Tuesday may be followed by Ambiguous Wednesday, but one outcome already seems clear. This event, invented to restore influence to conservative Southern Democrats, may create a big Republican prize.

There was some drama in New Hampshire. George Bush, staring down the barrel of defeat, fought back to beat Senator Bob Dole by 9 percentage points. Even so, there was solace for Mr. Dole. Three weeks ago, polls showed him down by 22 points. Among the Democrats, Governor Michael Dukakis of Massachusetts won easily but there was drama in the fight for second. Though Representative Richard Gephardt's margin over Senator Paul Simon was only 3 percentage points, those 3,442 votes may spell the end of the Simon campaign, even before Super Tuesday.

The March 8 event has blossomed, be-

yond the dreams of its inventors. They perceived a damaging liberal taint to the Democrats' early front-runners in recent years. If many Southern states would conduct primaries and caucuses on the same day, they calculated, the candidates would have to heed more-conservative voices.

The inventors may have created a monument to unanticipated consequences. For one thing, white candidates are likely to split Southern conservative whites, leaving the Reverend Jesse Jackson in a strong position. And now there is a more perverse possibility. Instead of luring back conserva-

The realization settled in Wednesday tive Southern white Democrats, Super Republican side. Three points explain why:

1. Crossover voting is permitted in 12 of clarity but there is still none of that famous the Super Tuesday states, including Alamomentum to sweep this Republican or bama, Arkansas, Georgia, Mississippi, Missouri and Tennessee.

2. The bitter Bush-Dole rivalry is sure to

generate heightened national interest.

3. Pat Robertson won only 9 percent Tuesday, but New Hampshire is a long way from home. On Super Tuesday, he will be back in the South's evangelical strongholds. Points 2 and 3 are plausibly likely to induce conservative Demograps to some an

induce conservative Democrats to seize on Point 1. If these swing voters swing Republican that day, Democratic strategists worry that they will never come back. The Republican Party would win a precious prize.

The prize might, however, contain a booby trap: the radical religious right. Garry ills writes in Time magazine that Pat Robertson represents millions. He may be burdened with a "kook factor" - as evidenced in his televised prayer for Hurricane Gloria to change course. But his campaign is based on moral values that many hunger for. "What makes Robertson a threat is not the medium," Mr. Wills writes, "but, precisely, the message."

Why is that a trap? Don't the intense moral views of so many citizens warrant respect? They do, at least to the extent they respect the views of their fellow citizens. And many Robertson backers are zealots eager to force their views, about school prayer for instance, into law. Tolerance is

not prominent among their moral values.

Knowing that, many Americans mistrust television evangelism and resist pressure toward the straight and narrow-minded Thus for the Republican Party to become increasingly identified with the religious right would risk turning Super Tuesday gains into a long-term loss. And March 8 could turn out not-so-super for either party.

-THE NEW YORK TIMES.

A Handle on Foreign Aid

In the mid-1970s the United States greatly increased its foreign aid, especially military and military-related aid. Most of the increase went to Israel and later also to Egypt. For fiscal as well as political reasons, the amount was blurred. In the first of what became a series of such contrivances, a substantial part of the aid was given as "guaranteed loans" for which, unlike grants and direct loans, only partial appropriations then needed to be made. The understatement was the greater because most of these were not the usual guaranteed loans from a private source. Here the government itself provided the money; the Defense Department then promised the Treasury to make good if the client country failed to repay. The transaction was a direct loan by another name. By the mid-1980s the debt so easily en-

tered into had become too great for some of the borrowing countries to sustain - and for the executive branch and Congress to continue to obscure. A profound change in policy occurred, a shift back from loans of any kind to grants. But once again there was a bhirring. The accounting rules were stiffened so ed) had to be included in the budget and confronted in appropriations bills. But Congress also took half a step back. Instead of admitting that it was giving grants, it began to dispense much of the aid in what are called forgiven loans: made and forgiven in the same utterance, but loans they remain,

The nonloan loans deal with the problem prospectively, but not with the \$20 billion in old loans left behind. Some recipient coun-

tries cannot repay. Others say, and some in the U.S. government agree, that while they can repay, the burden would be too great and they should not be required to. It is pointed out that these countries are armed for U.S. purposes as well as for their own.

By another roundabout device, the government is already helping these countries defray their military loans. It gives them socalled economic support funds. Technically these civilian funds cannot be used to satisfy military debt, but money is fungible, and in the case of Israel Congress has explicitly said that economic support shall never fail short of military debt service.

Now steps have also been taken to lower the interest on these loans, some of which date from the high-interest 1970s and early '80s. One of the plans is similar to a favor that Congress struggled to do last year for America's rural electric cooperatives, which also have high-interest debt. The administration vigorously opposed help for the coops on the grounds that it would add to future deficits. It was much less vigorous

about the parallel step in foreign aid. Egypt, say the easing of interest will not be enough; they want a broader form of forgiveness. That would amount to recognition that much of this aid has consisted of disguised grants all along. Perhaps it has. It would be useful to discuss this extensive program now about \$10 billion a year, much of it vital to the U.S. national interest - in

something other than beclouding aidspeak. - THE WASHINGTON POST.

More Budget Fantasies

ted to Congress on Thursday was effectively his last. But he need not fret about his waning power. He has already left his mark: a monumental legacy of deficits and debt. Mr. Reagan can claim to have rebuilt the nation's defenses, slowed the spread of gov-ernment and cut taxes. Right: with borrowed money. The national debt has doubled in his presidency, to \$2.5 trillion. Interest alone now costs \$140 billion a year, and counting.

What is Mr. Reagan's remedy? Again, he urges more spending cuts and a balanced budget amendment to the Constitution. Whether by accident or design, his deficits serve one of his priorities. Cost-consciousness has stifled ideas for new programs to address social problems, slowed expansion

of existing programs and even killed a few. But it is fantasy to think that the government has yet got a handle on the deficit, or that the new budget will provide one. The president and Congress take credit for ar-resting the growth in the deficit at \$221

The budget that President Reagan submit-ed to Congress on Thursday was effectively stalled. After last October's stock market crash, they finally agreed to cut the deficit to \$144 billion this year, fiscal 1988, but they knew that their figures were wishful.

The president's new budget concedes that the deficit is likely to be \$5 billion higher; congressional budget experts put it higher still. Either way, that is no progress over last year, and possibly a setback, despite the warning from Wall Street.

The post-crash budget agreement theoretically plotted a small further reduction in the deficit for fiscal 1989. The president pretends that his new budget sticks by the agreement. Congress will pretend the same, because credible estimates would force tougher deci-sions on spending and taxes. The focus is already on the next president. Those who seek the office, anxious to avoid the stigma of favoring new taxes, also pretend, eagerly. It is left to voters to remember that, sooner or later, fact will catch up with fantasy.

-THE NEW YORK TIMES.

Other Comment

Persuading the Germans

The modernization of NATO's shortrange nuclear weapons is a logical and necessary step. Yet the argument over whether to go ahead with it once more threatens allied unity. With a NATO summit [nearing], the issue needs the greatest attention, and care.

In Bonn, opposition to short-range weap-ons has intensified. Germans, who have lived for years with the knowledge that nuclear

weapons are stationed in the Federal Repub-

lic, have now united to call for their removal. There is much that NATO should do to increase its effectiveness - greater collabo-ration on the development of equipment, the forging of stronger links with the capricious French, increased funding of conventional forces. All these require allied cohesion. The Germans must be persuaded to go along with improvements in the nuclear forces too. - The Times (London).

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OPINION



On INF, America Had Better Take Yes for an Answer

HEMPSTEAD, New York — A soap opera, by one definition, is a dramatic device to prevent a story from ending properly. The Senate debate over ratifying the INF Treaty is beginning to look like a soap opera. This is because in diplomacy, the United States has carefully devised an obstacle course that too often stands in the way of even simple agreements.

It has six stages and Americans have overworked each one of them, to their detriment.

First, an agreement to enter into negotiations is itself a concession. To

This six-step obstacle course can block even simple agreements.

negotiate, one must accept the exis-tence of the other side. It took the United States 17 years to recognize the Soviet Union, 25 years to recog-nize mainland China — and it still doesn't recognize Vietnam, Laos and Cambodia 14 years after the war, or North Korea, 38 years after the war. Second, the U.S. side drafts an

agreement incorporating all the points that the other side had said it would not accept. That is standard, especially when talking to somebody in Geneva, which has been defined as the world's most pleasant place for diplomats to get nowhere.

Third, when the other side says yes, Americans think there must have been something wrong with their own proposal, and it is withdrawn.

W ELLESLEY, Massachusetts — Mikhail Gorbachev, the Soviet

leader, has quickly discovered that

the benefits and bounties of greater reliance on the market are just what

his nation's lagging economy needs
— but they come at a high price.

It is impossible to produce respon-

sively and efficiently and to increase

productivity so long as enterprise

managers have no need to trim their

bloated work forces. But that means,

among other things, large-scale fir-

ings — something the Soviet Union generally has avoided. The Russians

long have insisted that the guarantee of full employment is one of the true advantages of their society. Freedom of the fear of being fired has often been cited as a basic Soviet human

right, absent in the Western world.

So the announcement in Pravda

that as many as 16 million Soviet

workers will have to find new jobs by

the year 2000 has generated enormous unease. This could involve 13

percent of the Soviet work force.

Considering that a 10 percent unem-

ployment rate in the United States is

a source of political disquiet, imagine

what an even higher rate would mean

in a country that has never experi-enced anything comparable.

Thus, in 1958, Harold Stassen almost had a disengagement treaty involving conventional forces, and

Foster Dulles torpedoed it. Now America is starting all over again on the disengagement issue. Will the INF accord go the same way?
Fourth, when the U.S. side can't

stall any longer, an agreement is signed. It is, however, not ratified. From the League of Nations to SALT-, there have been dozens of such

Fifth, if at long last a treaty is ratified, it is festooned with "reservations" and "understandings." If these cannot kill it or force its renegotiation, they open the door for later "reinterpretation" amid loud protestations that the other side has been cheating. The Antiballistic Missile Treaty of 1972 and SALT-1 are going through this now, and per-haps the INF Treaty is being prepared for the same fate.

Sixth, a duly ratified treaty then serves as a vaccine against further

we have. Verification will be vital.

of Siberian workers found that only 30 percent supported Mr. Gorba-chev's reforms. Those opposed have

gone so far as to strike, and in one

extreme case, in the Turkmen Repub-

lic, to murder an official responsible

But so far the specter has been more dramatic than the reality. There have been a few widely reported large-scale layoffs. More than 12,000

workers were fired from the Belorus-

sian railroad system in 1985 and

1986. The experiment was then ex-

tended to several other railroads and

subway lines, with the loss of an addi-

tional 100,000 or more jobs. This was

predicated in part on an earlier ex-

periment from the 1960s when sever-

al hundred workers were fired from

But even in these examples there is often more show than substance. The

Soviets call it pokazuka. It can best be

described by recalling the newspaper

announcements that more than

60,000 bureaucrats in the Moscow

ministries and the state planning or-ganization would be released by

the Schkino chemical plant.

for implementing the reforms.

up when Secretary of State John important reasons such as friendship, shared values

As a ponical conservance, I would have a supported treaty for the sake of a treaty, and I know President

Reagan well enough to say without reservation that he

wouldn't either. I am convinced that this is the best treaty

we have ever signed. It will be ratified even though 15 or so senators will make the process very painful.

It is totally crazy to say that the only way we can have peace in this world is to continue the arms race. More

countries are gaining sophisticated weapons every year. It is time that we try to see if we can stop building more — in

fact, it is time to see if we can actually reduce the numbers

For all our sakes, I hope this treaty is successful. I am

that it is worth the risk. We are not leaving Europe. all remain committed to protect.

will be any meaningful reduction.

While members of the ministries may actually lose their present jobs, the impact on productivity will be insignificant, and it may even de-

cline. To generate support for the

process, those not released are prom-

ised that they will be able to share the

wages of their former colleagues. Thus the total wage bill will remain much the same. And those released,

particularly from white-collar jobs,

generally seem to end up doing much

the same thing as before. Productivi-

ty can actually suffer.

In the Ministry of Finance and Gosplan, the state planning commit-

tee, a new institute was set up, partly to absorb those who were fired. This

hardly improves productivity. In-

stead of a reduced payroll, there are now two payrolls. It is like musical

chairs in reverse - chairs are added

as the game goes on, not taken away.
The fact that the Soviet process is

not proceeding smoothly should not

surprise us. American officials and

A New Fear — Unemployment — Slows Soviet Reform

By Marshall I. Goldman

ganization would be released by managers sometimes have difficulty 1990. After considerable grumbling, reducing the size of the work force,

That explains in part why a survey
Siberian workers found that only
38,000. Now some wonder if there

convinced that it is in Western security interests and

By John E. Ullman progress - that is, logical second

steps are not taken. Thus, the partial test ban treaty was never followed by a total test ban; the Reagan administration is even more stremuously opposed to that than were its predecessors. Right now, the agreement on long-range missiles planned at the summit meetcases, including recently the United ing by Ronald Reagan and Mikhail Nations convention that prohibits the execution of juvenile offenders.

Fifth, if at long last a treaty is wars do not scuttle it.

This method works just as well in trade. Boycotts, restrictive licensing and laws like the Jackson-Vanik amendment, which links most-favored-nation treatment to emigration, are the commercial versions of steps one, two and five cited above.
It only remains to give this whole approach a name. I propose calling it the Berchtold Method, after Count Leopold Berchtold, foreign minister of Austria-Hungary in 1914.

For One Conservative, 'the Best Treaty We Have Ever Signed'

S a political conservative, I would never support a and commitment, our first line of defense is here.

accepted. Meanwhile, he kept his German allies and his own prime minister in the dark until it was too late to avoid war. He thus helped precipitate World War I, the dismemberment of his. country and, arguably, the decline of Western civilization. Not that he wanted it that way: He thought Ser-bia would be quickly liquidated and nobody else would care.

Count Berchtold only got to the third step and then everything ex-ploded. He thus stands out, even among the sorry characters who often

gravitate to foreign ministries.

The United States had better learn to take yes as an answer before a nuclear Berchtold gets out of hand.

The writer is a professor of manage-ment at Hofstra University. He con-According to one of his in-laws, he tributed this to The New York Times.

I wonder where the persistent rumors of decoupling

by Joe M. Rodgers, U.S. ambassador to France.

Soviet employment offices were of-

ficially created in 1967, but they nev-

Thus the Russians now find them-

selves ill-prepared to handle the relo-

cation process that they eventually

will have to undergo. They have no computer base to list available jobs, and no facilities for retraining. And

moving from city to city in the Soviet

Some Soviet spokesmen insist that

finding alternative jobs will not be difficult. After all, there is an enor-

mous shortage of labor. Those who are fired have ample alternatives. But

what these observers fail to realize is

that once Soviet enterprises find

will survive such a bold upheaval.

and denuclearization start? We all know that one of the

One Close drift in Encounter By John K. Cooley

MANAMA, Bahrain — As two uips aboard U.S. warships in the Gulf made clear to this reporter, accidents in the Gulf war could still cause American casualties and even lead to major U.S. involvement.

Last week, as I and other newsmen watched from the darkened bridge of the U.S. guided-missile destroyer Chandler, its commander, Captain Steven Smith, made several good solitescond decisions concerning the

split-second decisions concerning the safety of his ship, the accompanying frigate Reuben James, and the four reflagged tankers under escent. Should be activate the Chandler's rapid-fire, automatic anti-aircraft, system against an Iraqi bomber rapidly closing on the thip? Much more than the fate of the couvoy might depend on the answer.

Captain Smith, as he gave the seldom-used order, "General Quarters: Man your bande stations" over the ship's loudspeakers, kept his atten-tion riveted on the bomber. It had flown past on a north-south track, bound for some night mission in the central or southern Gulf. Now it had turned back and was quickly overtake

ing our northbound convoy.

Remembering the frigate Stark, struck by a missile from an Iraqi jet. paced in his room all night on the last fateful day, rephrasing the ultimatum to Serbia over the assassination, in strick by a missie from an fragige,
near these waters in May—at the cost
of 37 American fives and its skipper's
career — Captain Smith called the
fraci pilot by radio and urged him to
turn back. "He acknowledged my
warning," said Captain Smith. "But be
didn't seen to understand English son Sarajevo, of the Archduke Franz Ferdinand, to make sure it would not be

well. He just kept coming." ven the just kept coming."

Instead of triggering the ship's rapid-fire Gailing guns or launching missiles, Captain Smith cranked up his two 5-inch guns. He then sent up two red flares to let the Iraqi pilot know he was headed for trouble.

The bomber veered away from the ship and fired two Chinese-made Silkworm missiles. The Chandler's crew, peering into their night-vision scopes, could see the firing, but were puzzled: The missiles did not seem to be aimed at the convoy.

Then, unexpectedly one of the Silkworms turned toward the Chan-

dler, flashing by on its starboard side, about 8 miles (13 kilometers) away.

From the bridge, we watched as the horizon off the destroyer's starboard bow lit up with a flash. The missile half exploded, apparently in the sea. Anti-aircraft fire streaked up from the Iranian island of Siri, where oil facilities often come under Irani attack.

A radio operator on a tanker in the

primary goals of the Soviet Union is to divide the A radio operator on a tanker in the convoy, the Gas King, asked, "Should we be concerned about the United States from our European allies and to nourish divisions in European opinion.

Although some serious-minded people with good in-Replied the Chandler, "Not anymore."
The Jessons of this encounter age
now doubtless being hashed over in
Washington, and Baghdad — and
probably in Tehran and Moscow, too. tentions question the treaty, ask yourself this question: Who benefits the most from these rumors? Those critics who claim the INF Treaty decouples the United States from Europe need to be very careful not to create a self-fulfilling prophecy.

The truth is, the United States and its West European allies are a community of common values that we will.

With America scaling down its fleet presence, sending the battleship lowe and two escerts home from the Arabian Sea and implacing the cartic Midway with the nuclear-powers Enterprise, now may be a good time to review the threat. Is if Iranian hostility or the accidents of combat between maladroit adversaries?
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Soviet economists are particularly concerned about the lack of an infra-structure to handle the new task. In part this stems from the official insistence, until recently, that there was no such thing as unemployment in the Soviet Union. If it did not exist, why do anything to cope with it?

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we need is the navy, now!"

Whatever doubts exist about the present limited rules of engagement followed by Western warships - as well as Soviet ships, whose presence Union is not an easy process. Police permits must be obtained, and there is no such thing as U-Haul truck rentals. This will have to change. seems to have kept Soviet tankers out of trouble - many people on the Arab side of the Gulf seem convenced of the rightness of American action.
"We think that the American ad-

ministration is doing the right thing," said Tarik Abdulrahman Almoayed. Bahrain's information minister, whose views often reflect those of other Arab Gulf states.
"We believe," he added, "in collective efforts, an internationally ac-

themselves forced to take lower pro-ductivity seriously, those unfilled jobs will disappear. Then the system cepted formula that would guarantee safety of navigation in the Gulf." What the Reagan administration will indeed begin to become more productive. What is uncertain is — and its successor — must deter-mine is whether, in a war of splitwhether the system and the leaders second decisions and chance encoun ters, such a formula can be found.

The writer is a London-based staff correspondent for ABC News. He con-tributed this comment to the International Herald Tribune

Bold Steps to Avoid Another Black Monday

F INANCIAL markets in New York and Chicago stand at a crossroads. They can go on fighting turf battles or they can take the bold steps needed to stabilize the markets. One thing is certain: Without proper safeguards, a stock market collapse of the severity and speed of last October's could happen again, with even farther-reaching consequences.

If we have learned anything, it is

that America's financial marketplaces are inextricably linked. What historically have been considered separate marketplaces for stocks, stock-index futures and options do. in fact, function as one market.

The failure of market participants to fully understand the intermarket effects of their actions greatly increased the severity of the stock market decline. The belief that each marketplace had its own supply of capital and that actions in one marketplace would not affect those in another created an illusion of stability and liquidity.
Our new understanding of the

technological marketplace of the 1980s makes it less likely that investors again will follow the strategies that contributed to the October decline. It nothing else, it will ensure their traditional functions of providing in The New York Times.

altogether, we must have better coor-dination between the stock markets and the markets for derivative products such as futures and options. As the task force that I headed pointed out, the first and most important step is to appoint one agency to oversee the few critical issues that have an influence across markets.

The task force recommended that the Federal Reserve, with its financial strength, prestige and indepen-dence, was best qualified to fill the role. This has turned out to be a controversial proposal, resisted by public agencies as an intrusion into their areas of expertise and by the markets as a usurpation of their powers. Both may be overreacting.

But what America cannot afford now is a turf battle among the exchanges and public agencies. If the choice of the Fed proves politically unsustainable, it is crucial that some agency be given responsibility for intermarket coordination.

Discussion must also focus on what purpose the equity markets should serve. Amid the growth and deregulation of the 1980s, financial markets seemed to get away from

individuals and raising capital for new and growing businesses. The big players, who dominate the market, began to treat stocks more

like commodities. Large institutions with billions of dollars to invest were unable to find common stocks with market values large enough to ac-commodate a significant investment. This forced them to move away from investing in individual stocks to investing in stock index futures. This change has confused individuals and driven them from the market. We must act to restore their confi-

dence. If individuals are to remain the dominant owners of equities. they must have faith in the system. And companies of all sizes must have access to the traditional capitalraising functions of equity markets.
All parties involved must tran-

scend individual interest and act on the emerging consensus for better intermarket coordination. Entrusting a single agency with the responsibility to coordinate the key intermarket issues will achieve this goal and enable U.S. financial markets to maintain their global pre-eminence. —Nicholas F. Brady, who was chair-man of President Reagan's Task Force on Market Mechanisms, writ-

The writer is a professor of economics at Wellesley College and associate director of the Russian Research Center at Harvard University. He contributed this to the Los Angeles Times.

100, 75 AND 50 YEARS AGO 1888: No America Cup?

NEW YORK - The Boston Globe thinks there is little prospect of another race for the America Cup. "In yachting circles there is still less interest. The non-arrival of an expected challenge from across the water has thrown a wet blanket over the popular enthusiasm. Shall we have no more dipping of flags and tooting of horns and blowing of whistles as the Volunteer comes careening down and crosses the line like a homing pigeon hastening to her nest? Sport seems to be falling into innocuous desuctude fast. Let us take a handsled and go and have a slide."

1913: Poincaré Invested

PARIS - [The Herald says:] Raymond Poincare entered yesterday [Feb. 18] upon his duties as President of the French Republic, and was the recipient of a remarkable welcome, at once enthusiastic and unanimous, from the League of Nations and vest from the people of Paris. M. Poincaré ed in the "Big Four" powers.

has given convincing proofs of his energy, firmness of purpose and statesmanlike views. It is felt throughout France that such qualities are needed now, as never before,

1938: The Austrian Nazis VIENNA - Austrian Nazis may participate legally within the frame-work of the Fatherland Front and other Austrian institutions, according to an official communique per-lished simultaneously in Vienna and Berlin [on Feb. 18]. The communique lists the measures taken as a result of the agreement concluded between Chancellor Kurt von Schuschnige and Reichschancellor Adolf Hiller LONDON — One of the subjects hinder discussion today is the propos al that Britain, France, Germany and at that pricain, reance, vermany and Italy negotiate a pact of non-aggression. Premier Mussolini and December Hitler have proposed in the past that Europe's affairs should be removed.

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WASHINGTON—"Whatta catasthrough the trade retaliation issue is the trastroke," Jimmy Durante used message of Representative Richard to exposmilate. "Everybody wants Gephardt of Missouri. to get inna de act."

That is my complaint about the horde of number-trunching thinktankniks, underemployed political gurus, anxious anchors and parvenu pundits who have been crowding into the ivory tower that used to be reserved for that willful little band of Certified Thumbsuckers.

In this new world, political scientists and scientific journalists reientlessly "track" voters, forcing these citizens to pose for demographs and cast their bal-lots daily, until the last candidate who seems to be the underdog when the music stops becomes the winner. What bothers me is the certainty with

which killer commentators and anonymous campaign sources set shifting standards of victory, and the blood-thirstiness of their conclusions. "If Simon doesn't run second here, his money will dry up and he'll never make it to Super Tuesday." And: "Doesn't this second-tier loss to Kemp mean you'll have to onit, Governor du Pont, and do you want to take this opportunity to withdraw right now?"

But what delights me, despite the analysis avalanche, is the reluciance of voters to succumb to knockout politics. Iowa and New Hampshire decided nothing. We are now blessed with a pair of character-building races; after a properly lengthy delegate-hunting phase, we can look forward to dramatic denouements in the deal-making phase. We're hung up on personalities now. because the country is getting to know relatively new leaders, but soon posi-.

tions and themes will begin to count. Among the Democrats, the would-be embodiment of managerial competence is Governor Michael Dukakis of Massachusetts; unabashed liberalism is identified with Senator Paul Simon of Illinois; and a new nationalism, expressed

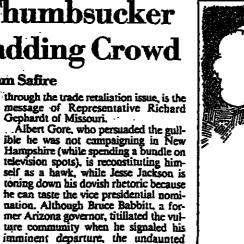
Robertson's Missiles

A S if we didn't have enough to worry about, Pat Robertson, the Republican presidential candidate, claims to have discovered the existence of Soviet missiles in Cuba, pointed --- where else? at the American heartland.

The White House and the Pentagon both say flatly that Mr. Robertson is talking through his hat. A lot of candidates do that, of course, but those who engage in deliberate scaremongering based on the most flimsy third-rate hearsay deserve special condemnation.

Mr. Robertson ran last among all Republicans in the New Hampshire primary. It will be interesting to see if he keeps his shoddy missile story alive, and equally interesting to see if he gets anyone to bite, as he pursues his campaign.

- The Los Angeles Times.



ning to enjoy himself and promises to conduct an underground campaign, on a shoestring, of substantive speeches. The Republicans are sorting themselves out ideologically, too. Vice President George Bush came back from the dead by posing as a nonmoderate, inveighing against taxation and even dredging up Barry Goldwater to demonstrate his right-wingedness, but in his heart we know he's a centrist. (And his yuppiness cannot be suppressed: When asked in a working-class lunchroom if he wanted more collee, the vice president reportedly replied, "Just a splash.") Mr. Bush unexpectedly adopted

Senator Gary Hart of Colorado is begin-

Speaker of the House Jim Wright's anticontra slogan, "Give peace a chance," in what may turn out to be a political blunder. The other Republican pragmatist. Bob Dole, claimed not to be worried about President Daniel Ortega Saavedra of Nicaragua, because that communist "didn't threaten this country." A whop-

per to those who fear sellout.

The hawk who nailed Mr. Bush and Mr. Dole on these fighting words was Jack Kemp, who ran behind the moderates but substantially ahead of his rightwing competition, the earnest Pete du Pont and the unctuous Pat Robertson.

Foreign policy will become the central issue for Republicans, and the Kemp victory on the right (like the strong Gephardt showing against Democratic liberals) makes it possible for Republican voters to choose sides. In this genera-

tion, they tend to choose rightward. Doesn't Mr. Robertson muddy the waters on the right? Nope, not after New Hampshire; his baseless charge that Soviet missiles were zeroing in on America from Cuba - followed by a sheepish, shucks-I-was-only-asking backdown — betrayed a dangerously kooky willingness to risk war for publicity's sake. He'll pick up the prayer-and-porno set. but Republicans know his turnouts will be falsely inflated by November Democrats, and "regular" hawks will gravitate to the electable Mr. Kemp.

But that's just punditry, which has become everybody's shtick. Maybe I should report what the candidates are actually proposing; these essays would become a catastrastroke of duliness, perhaps, but I'd be happily lonely again.

The New York Times.



Socrates Under the Scrutiny of I.F. Stone

WASHINGTON — About five years ago I went to a university library in my neighborhood to borrow a few books on Greek literature. Behind the rows of books where antiquity lay quiet that afternoon were some partitioned desks for the studious. One of these was I. F. Stone, up to his wellknown bushy eyebrows in out-of-print texts of the classics and reading them with monastic attentiveness.

I left Mr. Stone undisturbed. Days later I came upon him while waiting for the bus outside the campus gate. Washington's, and perhaps the West's, mos alert sniffer of official lies and a journalist who went his lone energetic way from 1953 until 1971 in "LF. Stone's Bi-Weekly," explained why in his early 70s and semiretirement he was holing up in the recesses of libraries. Socrates, he said. Mr. Stone was starting his study of the philosopher by learning Greek as it

was spoken in the ancient city-states. Charged up, as if the politics of the Parthenon and Acropolis were breaking news and this morning's front pages had missed it, Mr. Stone spoke of the joy of going back to primary sources. Now, at 80 and unslowed by recent

health trouble, Mr. Stone has put his own scholarly book, "The Trial of Socrates," on the shelves.

By Colman McCarthy

As a reporter, Mr. Stone was the icy investigator who trailed after facts by scouring basic texts. As a civil libertary ian. Mr. Stone brings the same ire to the abuses of 5th- and 4th-century B.C. democracy as he does to those in modern nations. Covering a free-speech trial that occurred in 399 B.C. and for which no court transcripts are available was a test of Mr. Stone's skills. For 60 years, jour-

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natism had no one like him. The same is now true for classical scholarship. Mr. Stone describes Socrates as "the most talkative Athenian of his time ... the man who made talk his life and

monument." Of Pericles, one of the state's most revered democratic leaders, Socrates says: He left the masses "wilder than when he took them in hand . . . We know of nobody who has shown himself true art of statesmanship."

That was not, Mr. Stone comments wryly, Socrates's "most modest moment." But it reflects the Greek's think- reporting was a quick art. ing as "a loyal monarchist." Socrates

prefers leaders who are shepherds who see that their "sheep are safe and fed."

Mr. Stone parries: "The good shep-herd does indeed see that his flock is sale and fed ... But the ultimate purpose of the shepherd is to shear the sheep for their wool and eventually to sell them for mutton. The herd is destined for the meat market, and the sheep are not consulted by the shepherd when he decides their time has come.

"The lesson the Greeks drew ... is that the sheep cannot trust their shepherd, nor a community entrust itself to one man's absolute will, however benevolent he claims his purpose to be. They preferred to become a polis rather than

Despite that ideal, the democrats put Socrates on trial for his intellectual attacks on democracy, a contradiction that horrified Mr. Stone. The trial, he writes, "was a black mark for Athens

and the freedom it symbolized."
But "The Trial of Socrates" is a story a good statesman in this city of ours. I think I am one of the few, not to say the only one, in Athens who attempts the ing, Mr. Stone was a philosophy major. His book can be taken as a belated thesis. No one ever said investigative

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

How Would Bronfman Describe Being Buried Alive?

On your opinion page appears Edgar M. Bronfman's article on the joint "lie" of Kurt Waldheim and Austria ("Waldheim: His Lie Is Only a Symbol of Austria," Feb. 16). Two pages later, we read this: "Israeli General Confirms Account

of 4 Arabs Who Were Buried Alive." Is someone trying to tell Mr. Bronf-man something? Let us sincerely hope so, since his sense of morality seems to

be confused or at least highly selective.

If, as he alleges, Mr. Waldheim is "amoral," "a liar" and "an unrepentant man," I wonder what adjectives he would use to describe those who bury unarmed youths alive?

M.T. AL-RASHID. Neuilly-sur-Seine, France.

Since December, the hatred of Arabs for Jews has exploded into full view with knifings, shootings, rock throwing, tire burning and anti-Jewish slurs that recall the days of czarist Russia and Nazi Germany. In Jaffa, tearful Jewish women heard their good neighbors of 40 years shout "Homeland, homeland," It has been a rude awakening.

The fact is that Arab goals remain

unchanged. Only the tactics have shifted. The demographic problem is here and now. In 1975, Arabs were only 12 percent of Israel's population. The statistics indicate that by the year 2000 Arabs will constitute 29 percent of the population. In 30 or 40 years, Israel will be an Arab country. Civil war will come, inevitably, between Arab and Jew.

Giving up the occupied territories on the West Bank would merely buy a false

sense of security. The only solution is for Israel to pursue a policy of "benign transfer" of Arabs out of the area. With the demographic parameters being what they are, transfer is the only viable alternative to national suicide.

HARRY W. WEBER. Netanya, Israel.

Far more vicious than those who deny the Holocaust are those who insist, as does David Douglas Duncan, that the survivors have taken on the nature of its perpetrators (Letters, Feb. 9). Pre-independence fighters for Israel were selftaught or taught by Allied forces facing Hitler, not directly or indirectly by SS troopers as Mr. Duncan says.

Regarding the bombing of the King David Hotel (the British military headquarters in 1946) which Mr. Duncan singles out, it should be kept in mind that the timely notice, intended to pre-vent casualties from the impending explosion, was ignored. Furthermore, the act was thoroughly deplored by Jewish organizations and prominent persons in Palestine and elsewhere.

JOSEPH LERNER. Jerusalem.

Mr. Duncan says the survivors of Nazi atrocities became students of Gestapo terror "professors." Since he claims to have been in the Pacific at the time, what could be know about what one learns from having watched one's

ALAN ROTH. Caracas.

On Feb. 5 you reported on Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir's visit to a Palestinian refugee camp in the Gaza Strip. The same report said that more Arab youths were killed by Israeli soldiers. Two more martyrs for the cause of an ever greater hatred for Israel. Two more lives wasted on a conflict that should have been settled years ago.

If Mr. Shamir's visit to the camps and the suffering there evoked memories of his own youth and the plight and suffering of the Jewish people, he surely would have risen above his usual irony and cynicism and shown some more compassion for the suffering of others.

HARRY SPIRO.

Karpov Omits the Empire

Viktor P. Karpov ("A Next Step in Arms Control," Opinion, Feb. 9) ac-knowledges that besides an agreement on reduction of strategic nuclear arms there is a need to solve other important issues. However, he omits to include the main cause of world tension: the East European problem. One must hope that the new Soviet leaders are aware that Stalin was wrong in building a colonial empire in Europe. Today this empire is nothing but a political and economic burden for the Soviet Union.

VINTILA BRATIANU.

There's No Need to Bare All

American Topics (Feb. 15) contained an item that has disturbed me for a long time: Today's total lack of reticence and atria where people come to browse,

fore, considered too intimate to be discussed. Television and advertising may be partly to blame. There are few taboos anymore. Perhaps in an earlier age too much was hidden; but I still feel that it is unnecessary to bare all.

EILEEN SCHLESINGER.

A Review or a Hatchet Job?

Regarding "Trump: A Builder of Baality" (Arts / Leisure, Feb. 6): My late father, Rae L. King, was a

small-town editor who contributed greatly to young, aspiring news writers. led by a selfless statesman like Secretise edict on book reviews was that they do just that - review the book, not the author or his politics.

If Paul Goldberger was indeed writing a review of Donald Trump's book "The Art of the Deal," then he failed my father's directions badly. If, on the other hand, he was writing a character assassination, then he did so magnificently. The third possibility is that Mr. Gold-berger let his distaste for Mr. Trump get the best of him and delivered an assessment of real estate developers in general, architectural judgment and the social obligations of private entrepreneurs.

New York architecture is unique: tall, massive structures that look good in photographs, particularly at night with the lights turned on. Mr. Trump's buildings look good, and sell to people who obviously like what they buy.

Developers build attractive plazas

with regard to subjects that were, hereto-shop and feel safe. Parks are not Donald Trumo's responsibility.

FRED A. KING.

Antibes, France.

No, the Other George

In presidential elections, I tend to support a candidate rather than a political party or interest group. And I measure the candidates by their accomplishments, ambitions and motives. Often the best man for the job is not one of those begging for the position, but one who is just in there, doing his best for the good of the whole. The times demand that the United States be some self-serving politician.

KONRAD V. THOMAN.

A Skier's Struggle

Regarding "For Billy Johnson, the Fall

Is Complete" (Jan. 29): When Billy Johnson took on the elite club of European skiers, he thrilled us with his all-out effort. The ego that gave him the confidence to perform those feats led him to respond in kind to the comments of his competitors when perhaps he should have maintained a polite silence. Few young Americans in his position would have behaved differently. He should still be respected for his accomplishments and

did not deserve this insulting article.

DAVID NEWELL. Zurich.

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FINNISH WAR ON VANDALS - A Helsinki resident

reading posters that offer 500 markkaa, equivalent to \$120, for anyone who turns in someone for vandalizing public property.

ganizations, operating about 200 hospitals and clinics worldwide. EUROPEAN It has about 10,000 members' throughout the world and is recognized as a sovereign entity by

The Knights of Malta

To Elect New Leader

Knights of Malta is getting ready to elect a new leader. On April 8,

Of the council's members,

about 20 are knights who are cligible to become the next grand

master. They have taken vows of

obedience, chastity and poverty and have at least 200 years of

The order began with the foun-dation of a hospital for sick pil-grims in Jerusalem in the 11th century. It soon developed into a military power involved in major campaigns of the crusades. The knights successively ruled the Following the death last month of its 77th grand master, Friar Angelo de Mojana di Cologna, Greek islands of Rhodes and then the 900-year-old Order of the Malta, eventually ending up in their Roman enclave in 1834, the order's Council Complete of where they have been based ever State, consisting of about 40 members, is to gather in Rome

Pornography Rising for a closed meeting — similar to a papal conclave — for a day, or In Italy, Report Says several, until the new head has

Italy is fast becoming a leading importer and exporter of pornographic material, according to a report by the Institute of Political, Economic and Social studies. The report said business has doubled to about 600 billion lire (\$475 million) in 1987 from about 300 billion lire in 1985.

nobility in both parental blood lines. The elected leader must later be approved by the Pope.

The order, officially called the
Sovereign Military Hospitaler
Order of St. John of Jerusalem, of The sales of pornographic magazines, video tapes and mov-ies have soared because producers are taking advantage of Italy's lax laws to export and import Rhodes and of Malta, is the material banned in other counsmallest sovereign state in the tries. Moreover, Italian state subworld, with its own government, sidies for the press and movie laws, stamps, coins: and pass-ports. Its territory consists of a few buildings in the heart of hands of the pornographic "in-

A city spokesman said that English was chosen as the language for the posters "because 'wanted' is such a well-known word." He estimated the cost of vandalism at nearly \$1 million a year.

"Anything can happen in a country where a porno star has arrived in parliament," he said, referring to Ilona Staller, a pornographic movie star known as "Cicciolina" who was elected as a Radical party deputy last June. She is a leader of the campaign to legalize

Around Europe

Greenland has started a vaccination campaign to save its sled dogs from being wiped out by an epidemic of distemper, a highly contagious and often fatal canine disease. Hundreds of the island's 30,000 huskies have died since the disease broke out two mouths ago, and some Eskimo settle-ments have lost as much as 80 percent of their dogs. Huskies are vital to Greenland's economy, as one-fifth of the Arctic island's 53,000 Eskimos depend on them for hunting, officials said.

A court in the Belgian city of Chent has acquitted 50 doctors and patients charged with breaking Belgium's 1867 law banning abortions, ruling that the abortions were performed on women in great distress. Two women who offered no defense were given short suspended prison sentences. Civil rights groups hailed the ruling as a landmark in the Rome. It is the also the world's oldest chivalric order and one of its most exclusive charitable or-... Mr. Fara also blames a recent ing abortions face prison sen-

campaign to legalize pornogra-phy by linking it to ideas of free-dom and women's emancipation. Their patients face five-year sen-dom and women's emancipation. fendants were given suspended terms. The Ghent proceedings were the result of a police raid on

West German city halls may be

required to drop the centuries-old tradition of posting the names of couples about to be married, because the betrothed are being pes-tered by salesmen, according to the Justice Ministry in Bonn. The wedding notices are put up under a law originally meant to guard against polygamy and to prevent the marriages of mentally ill peo-ple. But nowadays, the notices serve mainly as lists for junk mail advertising such products as wedding dresses and baby food, a ministry spokesman said.

Ken the gerbil has lost its job as president of the Student Union at the University of East Anglia in Norwich, England, after being found to be female and pregnant. The pet rodent, with long hind legs and tail, was entered as a joke for the election to the post last week, only to beat five human rivals. "We had an emergency meeting and decided Ken could not cope with the conflicting responsibilities of impending motherhood, balancing our budget and running the campus shops," said Ken's owner, Julian Campbell, a chemistry student.

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Soviets Have 3d Failure Of Proton Launcher

By Felicity Barringer New York Times Service

MOSCOW - The Soviet Proton rocket launch vehicle, a leading attraction in the Soviet effort to commercialize its space technology, suffered its third failure in 13 months Thursday as the rocket's fourth stage failed to send three satellites into high orbit.

According to the official press agency Tass, three satellites launched into low Earth orbit on Wednesday failed to reach the desired higher orbit after a "separa-tion unit" was unable to propel them upwards. They then were allowed to burn up on their descent into the atmosphere.

The satellites were designed "to test elements and equipment of a space navigation system" and were launched atop a Proton rocket, one of the workhorses of the Soviet fleet of launch vehicles, Tass said.

James Oberg, an American ex-pert on the Soviet space program, said Wednesday that the series of failures, while "embarrassing," is likely to have little impact on the Soviets' drive to sell its launch services, as the rockets offered for commercial purposes don't use the stage that has caused the recent

All three failures - the other two were in January and April 1987 - occurred during testing of the Proton rocket's fourth stage and its

ability to propel payloads from a low orbit to a high one.

Mr. Oberg said that satellites in higher orbits, circling the Earth twice a day, are used for navigational tional purposes, usually by ships. The United States, he said, already has such a system in a high orbit. The Soviets have a less-reliable low-orbit system that they are try-

ing to upgrade, he said.

The new system "could be used by a missile-launching submarine or by a commercial vessel," Mr.

Most commercial space ventures such as communications and proessing of materials in a gravityfree environment require only a low-Earth orbit

Compared with the string of Soviet space successes over the past two years, including two successful missions to Halley's Comet, the launching of the world's most powerful rocket and a record 326-day

Reported by Dissidents space flight by a Soviet cosmonaut, the Proton failures are "a sideshow," Mr. Oberg said.

But, he added, "they have been trying to introduce this upper stage and it's an embarrassment" that they are unable to perfect the new

Thus far, the Soviets' big sales push for their rockets, which came at a time of repeated launch failures by United States and European space agencies, has attracted only two customers.

After some delays, India is expected to send up a satellite at the end of March. Glavkosmos, the space agency managing the commercialization program, recently announced that a West German company had signed a contract to send up materials-processing satellites for one week each in 1989,

Belgian Crashes His Car Inside Church and Dies

BRUSSELS - A 22-year-old man drove a sports car at full speed through the entrance of one of Belgium's most famous churches and slammed it into the altar rail. killing himself, the parish priest said on Thursday.

The man, Henri Ceusters, raced down a drive before smashing through a glass door and an iron gate of the 17th century Catholic Scherpenheuvel basilica. The car careered the length of the church before embedding itself in the communion rail. The police said the man's motives were unknown. The incident took place early Wednes-

92,000 Years Ago: Study Suggests an Earlier Dawn of 'Modern' Man

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The Oafzeh flints were heated in what was

robably an ancient camplire, thus resetting the

By Boyce Rensberger New York Times Service

WASHINGTON — Humans indistinguishable from those living today had evolved by 92,000 years ago, some 50,000 years earlier than has been generally accepted, and were living in the Middle East, a team of French and Israeli scientists has reported in the British journal Na-

If the date is confirmed, the finding would indicate that anatomically modern people evolved before the earliest generally accepted appearance of the Neanderthal people, who are considered anatomically more primitive. Some experts had held that Neanderthals were the ancestors of modern humans.

Anthropologists differ in their interpretation of the French-Israeli findings, but to some the findings suggest that modern human beings evolved in Africa more than 100,000 years ago but did not migrate much beyond the Middle East before Neanderthals arose in Europe around 75,000 years ago.

few years ago that fully modern people were and 40,000 years old.

It was not until about 35,000 years ago that use of the fact that certain products of radioacmodern peoples entered Europe and the Nean- tive decay in stony materials become trapped derthals became extinct -- either wiped out by until the materials are heated. Then the products the modern people or interbred until they disap-peared as a distinct race. Until now the skeletons escape as tiny flashes of light. The amount of decay products have been accumulating in the those modern invaders, which included the Cro Magnon people, were the earliest known stone. Once the material cools, a new accumularemains of modern humans.

The Nature report on Wednesday was published by Bernard Vandermeersch of the University of Bordeaux, Helene Valladas of the French research agency CNRS in Gif-sur-Yvette and four other researchers from France and Israel. Their report concludes that a close evolutionary relationship between modern humans and Neanderthals is now "untenable."

The new findings are based on a new method of determining the antiquity of skeletons that were discovered many years ago in an Israeli cave called Qafzeh, near Nazareth. It had been estimated that the bones, which are anatomically This view is also based on evidence put forth a like those of living humans, were between 35,000

TL clock. When the flints were again heated inside a TL detector, the amount of light emitted revealed that the campfire burned about 92,000 The paleoanthropological implications of such an age are enormous," Chris Stringer, a human-evolution specialist at the British Muse-

tion starts over again.

um (Natural History) wrote in a commentary in Nature. "Evolutionary models centered on a direct ancestor-descendent relationship between Neanderthals and modern Homo sapiens must surely now be discarded."

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Accepting the truth of the new Qafzeh date and putting aside some relatively minor prob-lems, several anthropologists said the following scenario probably represents a consensus view of how modern humans arose:

More than 3 million years ago in Africa a small apelike species called Australopitheous began walking erect. The original species gave rise to several other forms of Australopithecus.

By 2 million years ago one of the forms had changed, again in Africa, into a somewhat larger-brained species called Homo habilis, the earliest definite maker of stone tools.

At around 1.5 million years ago, Homo habilis gave rise to Homo erectus, which had a still

erectus spread through much of Eurasia.

By about 300,000 or 400,000 years ago, at least one population of Homo erectus evolved still larger brains and became what anthropologists call the archaic form of Homo sapiens. It is not clear where this happened, but it was probably so gradual that interbreeding among class spread the more advanced genetic traits over much of

Eurasia and Africa. At some time before the Qafzeh people lived, a population of archaic Homo sapiens evolved into faily modern humans, probably in Africa. These people spread to southern Africa and into the

Some time later, the archaic Homo sapiens iving in Western Europe evolved into the Neanderthals, who slowly spread eastward.

Fifty thousand years later, when the fully modern people invented more effective technologies — whether for hunting or for war is an open question — they took over all of Eurasia, reached Australia and entered the New World.

Shultz Will Relay Pakistan Demand To Kremlin for an Afghan Coalition

By Elaine Sciolino

New York Times Service
WASHINGTON — Secretary of State George P. Shultz has assured Pakistan that he would convey its demand for a coalition government in Afghanistan to the Soviet foreign minister, according to State Department and Pakistani offi-

The assurance came in a meeting with Pakistan's minister of state for foreign affairs, Zain Noorani. Pakistan has demanded the creation of

a coalition government before an agreement on a Soviet troop withdrawal from Afghanistan is signed. The officials quoted Mr. Shultz as saying Wednesday that the Pakistani goal was desirable and that he

vardnadze, the Soviet foreign minister, in Moscow next week. Before the meeting, some administration officials had expressed concern that insistence on a political agreement between the Afghan guerrillas and the ruling pro-Soviet country since 1979.

er demand for the creation of a Kabul." coalition government, and some - Soviets Seek U.S. Backing administration officials said they believed that the United States should press Pakistan to drop the

After his 45-minute meeting with Mr. Shultz, Mr. Noorani said that there is "a lot of similarity" between the Pakistani and U.S. positions, adding that the United States is not averse to the idea of the creation of an interim government.

A Pakistani official said that there was no flexibility in Pakiwould present it to Eduard A. Shestan's demand for an interim gov-ernment acceptable to the three million Afghan refugees in Paki-

"We feel that the priority is not only the return of Soviet troops but also the creation of conditions that

Beatings of Lithuanians

People's Democratic Party of Af- will permit the refugees to return" ghanistan could delay a final acto Afghanistan, the official said cord on the pullout of the 115,000 Mr. Noorani told Mr. Shultz. "For Soviet troops that have been in the this, it is absolutely essential that arrangements are made for bring-Moscow has abandoned its earli-ing about an interim government in

> The Soviet Union indicated Thursday that it would push for U.S. backing for a prompt accord ending the Afghan conflict during a visit to Moscow next week by Mr. Shultz, Reuters reported from

In an interview with the Communist Party newspaper Pravda, Yuli Vorontsov, a first deputy foreign minister, said agreement could be concluded in Geneva early next month if Pakistan, a U.S. ally, withdrew last-minute objections.

Mr. Vorontsov said Pakistani demands that a new coalition government had to be set up in Kabul before an accord bringing the withdrawal of Soviet troops were aimed at creating "artificial obstacles" to

"Pakistan should reconsider its unconstructive approach," Mr.
Vorontsov said. "It now depends
on it alone whether the Geneva
accords will be signed in the near future."

The official, Moscow's chief negotiator on the Afghan issue, did The Associated Press

Lithuania and its neighboring not directly link his remarks with MOSCOW — Dissidents reportBaltic republics of Latvia and Esto- the arrival of Mr. Shultz, due in not directly link his remarks with ed Thursday that police and sol-diers beat hundreds of Lithuanians were absorbed into the Soviet the Soviet leader, Mikhail S. Gor-

with rubber clubs as they gathered Union in 1940 under the Nazi-So-bachev, and Mr. Shevardnadze. to mark their republic's independence between 1918 and 1940. A been recognized by the United indicated clearly that the Soviet tates. leaders would be urging Mr. Shultz
After the services, worshipers to use Washington's influence with The clash occurred Tuesday in tried to march to a square beside Pakistan to ensure an accord was Vilnius after foreign correspon- the city's former Catholic cathe- quickly reached at the next round

Reform Defended

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Central Committee that an en-

trenched bureaucracy had stalled

Mr. Gorbachev's efforts to mod-

ernize Soviet society, The Associat-

Mr. Yeltsin earlier had been re-

moved from his party post in Mos-

cow but was given a ministerial job

in the government's construction

bureaucracy, leaving his political

Razumovsky, 52, a Gorbachev pro-

tégé who has been handling party

personnel matters for almost two

years, would become a non-voting

The Tass news agency said Mr.

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ed Press reported,

future in doubt.

He lived in Woodbridge, Virgin-, when he was assigned last June

to the Lebanon Observer Group,

part of the UN Truce Supervision

Organization, which operates throughout the Middle East, the

Boris N. Yeltsin

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(Continued from Page 1) officials said. Last month, he be pated in the UN unit since it was sought" the post with the UN obmilitary officers, officials said.

Neil Kinnock, the British Labor Party leader, visiting a hospitalized Palestinian on Thursday, who said he was beaten by Israeli troops. Mr. Kinnock, on a tour of the Gaza Strip, called it "a vast shun."

Pentagon and State Department officials said Wednesday that the died. kidnapping had not yet triggered team out of Lebanon.

as a national contingent" said partment spokesman.

"There are U.S. officers assigned in 1978. to this organization," he said, add-

past several years that civilian The 36 U.S. officers are among Americans leave the country.

But other military officials noted ing the Soviet Union, that particithat the United States has participate in the observer groups.

server unit, according to Pentagon non unit, which includes 16 U.S. draw its members even after the 1983 bombing of the barracks in Beirus in which 241 U.S. Marines.

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> These people are not assigned and a neacelesting force in Lebamon. discussions over whether to pull the operates six observation posts and remaining U.S. members of the conducts patrols around the Leba-Charles E. Redman, the State De as UNIFIL, which was created after the Israeli invasion of Lebanon

Colouel Higgins became chief of ing that, as such, they are under the the observer unit in January. An authority and responsibility of the American heads the unit from Jan-

uary to June, and an Australian Some Pentagon officials ex- officer from July to December. pressed concern over the vulnera- The United States has assigned

pility of the U.S. troops serving in 36 military officers to UN observer Lebanon, noting that the State Degroups throughout the Middle partment has recommended for the East, including the 16 in Lebanon.

299 troops from 17 nations, includ-

Debate Rises In Israel on Peace Effort

JERUSALEM — The leaders of the governing coalition in Israel clashed Thursday over a U.S. Middle East peace miniative begun in response to the Palestinian uprising

in the occupied territories.
Foreign Minister Shimon Peres said that efforts by Prime Minister Yirzhak Shamir to resist any change in the status of the occupied West Bank and Gaza were futile.

There is no Arab leader who will sit down with Mr. Shamir so long as he keeps saying nyet," Mr. Peres said of Mr. Shamir, who heads the right-wing Liknd bloc in

Mr. Peres's Labor Party has exsed support for an international Middle Fast peace conference at which Israel would be prepared to trade occupied land for a peace

But with Secretary of State George P. Shultz of the United States due here next week to press the peace initiative, Mr. Shamir reiterated his opposition both to the international conference and to giving up occupied land.

Shamir also vowed to resist atempts to accelerate the peace pro-

ABDUCT: U.S. and UN Hunt for Marine in Lebanon detrimental to the very essence of an agreement" he said.
"We will explain our objections

to an international conference. Mr. Shamir said, adding that such a conference would be "counterpro-ductive and enable the Soviet

Troops imposed curfews on the West Bank town of Tulkarm and the village of Burga to search for

Israeli officials said it was be--coming increasingly clear that Mr. Shuitz would have to perform two

peace shuttles if he wanted his mission to achieve anything: one between Israel and Arab countries, and the other between Mr. Peres and Mr. Shamir. The prime minister rejected a

BUDGET: Reagan Asking Congress for \$1.1 Trillion

more they are intense."

The Moscow-based dissidents,

returned Tuesday evening

Lithuania occurred.

who lives in Vilnius.

vices, including some Postal Service operations and the uranium enrichment program.

In accordance with the deficit reduction agreement with Congress, the budget seeks just under

\$300 billion in spending authority

for the Pentagon, far less than had

projected by the Congressional

Barring a downturn in the econo-

administration's forecast this sum-

been contemplated last year. The reduction, said Defense Secretary Frank C. Carlucci, required canceling or delaying 28 weapons systems and reducing troop strength by 36,000, specific proposals that will come under close ex-

amination on Capitol Hill. The budget projects a U.S. defi-cit of \$130 billion, well below the \$221 billion deficit of 1986, \$150.2 to relieve overcrowding. billion, for drug law enforcement billion last year, and within the and treatment programs. \$136 billion target set by the re-

 Spending of \$363 million to vised balanced budget law. begin construction of the supercon-However, the administration ducting supercollider, "the largest would achieve its goal only if the pure science project ever undertafive-year economic expansion continues at a more robust rate than

The budget calls for \$13.1 billion in spending on general science, a 20-percent increase.

Budget Office, which anticipates that the deficit will amount to \$176 grade the nation's air control system and a \$430-million increase for my that could significantly after the hazardous waste sites.

the Superfund program to clean up

last year's revisions to the balanced hion and actual outlays for the year pected to be controversial is the budget act give the president's bud- of \$294 billion — up from \$291.4 president's request to privatize a get office the final say in determin-broad range of government sering whether the deficit target has \$285.4 billion in outlays. billion in budget authority and After inflation of 4.4 percent it is a fractional drop, but represents the smallest military spending in-

■ Other New Requests Other new proposals for spend-

ing authority in the budget include:

• A request for \$11.5 billion for space programs, including the program to orbit a manned space sta-tion and to improve the "perfor-mance and reliability" of the space

to complete and not all the money is needed in any one year. Proposed spending of \$15.6
 billion on foreign aid next year, down from \$15.8
 billion last year. on Thursday, in presenting this military budget nearly \$33 billion less than planned, that the proposal A request for \$437 million, more than double last year's budentailed risks the nation should get, for federal prison construction MOUL SPORE

• A 13-percent increase, to \$3.9

point where we as a nation have to worry about it," he told a press conference.

It earmarks \$1.6 billion to up-

mer, that difference is unlikely to

In military outlay, it proposes a to keep military spending growing have much practical effect since spending authority of \$299.5 bil—at 3 percent a year after inflation.

Soviet spokesman denied the re- States. dents had left the Lithuanian capi- dral, which now houses an art gal- of peace talks on March 2. tal, the dissidents said. The Soviet lery, the dissidents said. They in-Foreign Ministry took Moscow-based reporters to Vilnius on Sun-wreaths on monuments to Lithua-

day on an organized trip, but they man nationalist figures. But police and soldiers beat There was no way to verify the many of the worshipers with rubreports of the Moscow-based dissi- ber clubs as they walked, according dents, because telephone lines of to Mr. Ogorodnikov and Mr. Po-Lithuanian activists have been cut. drabinek. The police detained hun-Vadim Perfilyev, a Soviet For- dreds of the demonstrators, includeign Ministry spokesman, was ing some who were driven outside asked whether the incidents in the city and left in remote areas.

they said. "Discussing when something In one hospital alone there were which didn't take place, took place, it's very difficult," Mr. Perfilyev said at a briefing. "Around certain events in Lithuania and other Bal-160 people being treated for injuries suffered in the beatings, Mr. Podrabinek said.

Earlier, Tass quoted the Lithuanian interior minister as saying that tic republics there are a lot of provocations. The more they are far the police in Lithuania arrested 32 away from those republics, the people for hooliganism on the anniversary of the declaration.

But the minister, Stasis Lisans-Alexander Ogorodnikov and Alex-ander Podrabinek, said they re-nationalist protests in the republic ceived their information from Ni- on the anniversary and said that the arrests actually represented a fall from the usual daily tally of jole Sadunaite, a Catholic activist disturbances of public order.

About 2,000 people gathered in Vilnius in St. Anne's Church and "There were no anti-Soviet naanother 2,000 in St. Nicholas tionalist actions in Lithuania," Mr. Church on Tuesday evening, the Lisauskas said in the interview,

70th anniversary of Lithuania's published Thursday. declaration of independence on "Only 32 persons to "Only 32 persons were detain

crease sent to Congress.

The gap between the amount

sought and the actual spending lev-

el stems from the fact that some

programs, such as aircraft carriers

and missile submarines, take years

Mr. Carlucci warned Congress

"I'm not saying we don't have an

adequate deterrence, but I think

the degree of risk is getting to the

"What I'm worried about is the

trend," he said, noting that 1989 is

the fourth year in a row that the

military budget has declined when

the effects of inflation are dis-

At this time last year, Pentagon

experts estimated they would need

\$332.4 billion for 1989, a figure

reflecting a now-abandoned plan'

to keep military spending growing

counted

Feb. 16, 1918, according to Mr. all over the republic for anti-social Ogorodnikov and Mr. Podrabinek. and hooligan actions," he said. controlled the economy.

Mr. Talyzin, who had been criti- in Europe." ing he may yet survive the reshuffle in the state planning office.

Politburo remained unchanged on can alter the makeup of the powerful panel that constitutes the collective leadership between Central Committee meetings.

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ise that everyone wins, only that

that comes to grips with its future."

any of the six remaining Democrat-

ic contenders.

He said he would not yet endorse

Mr. Babbitt, whose campaign fo-

cused on economic themes, includ-

VOTE: Field Narrows as Babbitt and Du Pont Quit U.S. Presidential Race

try. You have given me the oppor- elect us to power." In other campaign developments: Mr. Babbitt told a roomful of Mr. Dole, beginning a cam-paign swing through the South, family, supporters and reporters in Washington that he was abandon- said Thursday he would boycott ing the race after dismal showings the Republican presidential debate in Iowa and New Hampshire. But he said he was not abandoning his in Dallas, saying it would be stacked with Bush supporters. cause, which he called "an America

The Senate Republican leader said in Charlotte. North Carolina, cused Mr. Dole of being noncomthat he would not participate in the debate Friday "primarily because we had no role in setting up the format and we were told we would have 60 tickets out of 2,600."

ing a blunt call for a national sales A group of senators support- nesota or South Dakota to stay in tax, said the Democrats must "give ing Mr. Dole's campaign said the race for the Democratic nomi-

everyone has the opportunity to our country a compelling reason to Thursday that they would visit the nation, now says fresh signs of supstates holding primaries or caucus-port have forced him to reassess the es March 8 to provide voters with a importance of those contests. "clear and unequivocal picture" of Mr. Dole's record. Several said that his record was he had to finish first in the Minne-

the New Hampshire primary. But they did not attack Mr. Bush, who, in a last-minute media blitz, acmittal on the issue of raising taxes and of supporting an oil import fee. Senator Paul Simon of Illinois, backing off his declaration that he must win contests Tuesday in Min-

telling television interviewers that primary to stay in the campaign.

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In a speech on Thursday, Mr.

"Any attempt to force the pace and shorten the period would be

and arrest "agitators," an army spokesman said.

suggestion from Mr. Peres that the two coalition partners meet Mr. Shultz together

Another question is whether the French Defense Ministry, under

Mr. Girand, will successfully cur-

tail the industrial chauvinism of

Dassanlı and other French arma-

ments makers that has blocked

wider Western cooperation in de-

The biggest question of all, is whether France and NATO can

change enough to reapportion mili-

veloping new weapons.

FRANCE: Paris Quietly Increases Its Military Cooperation With NATO (Continued from Page 1) U.S. diplomats praise French when asked about French coopera-northern Europe instead of flying the circuitous route imposed on the British-based U.S. warplanes that

member of the Politburo. He has been a secretary of the Central strategists, these sources said, also Committee, a key party post. see advantages in rebuilding de-Also named to candidate, or fense bridges to the United States n-voting, membership was Mr. now, before anti-nuclear feeling Maslyukov, 50, who earlier this and budgetary problems facing the month was named chairman of the next U.S. administration cut into Soviet Committee for State Plan-ning, the body that historically has ance the Soviet Union in Europe.

outrolled the economy.

As a result of this new thinking
Earlier this month, Mr. Maslyu- in France, many U.S. officials and kov replaced Nikolai V. Talyzin as congressmen who visit Paris these the government's chief economic days return to Washington saying: "France has become our best ally

cized by Mr. Gorbachev for his As paradoxical as it may sound handling of the job, was transferred to many Americans, who still recall to an obscure government bureau. the well-publicized U.S. anger However, he retained his post as when France refused two years ago first deputy prime minister and on to allow U.S. F-111 bombers to fly Thursday remained a candidate over French territory to bomb Libmember of the Politburo, indicat- ya, this appreciation of France "comes quickly to visiting Amerithe state planning office.

cans once they look at the whole picture," U.S. diplomats said.

For example, Senator Sam Nunn Thursday. The Central Committee, of Georgia, a Democrat who is which customarily meets several chairman of the Armed Services times a year, is the only body that Committee, said last week in Paris that he expected military cooperation between France and its allies to expand substantially in the adults."

eration in preventing sensitive that France, after pulling its troops.

Western technology from reaching out of the NATO command, has the Soviet Union. "France is not considering re-

joining NATO, like the prodigal

author of a new book on NATO entitled "Beyond American Hege-The French defense minister, André Girand, who is a leading advocate of more open French co-

greater French involvement. In a meeting in Munich of defense experts earlier this month. Mr. Giraud said that "the time has come for us to take a look at the fundamentals of our security, leaving aside our old prejudices and concentrating on the abilities, the possible roles and the ambitions of the members of the Western alliance, all of whom are equals and

In conversation, Mr. Giraud,

global military activities — in the tion with NATO, says: "We don't the circuitous rou Gulf, in defending Chad, in the Pacific — and strong French coop—

The phrase, aides say, means bombed Libya.

built a national pride in defense that enables the nation to take the

lead in trying to forge a new divi-

son who crawls home, but there is sion of responsibility between Euan opportunity for some reorganizropean nations and the United says David P. Calleo, the U.S. States on Western defense. France maintains its national commitment to defense spending and nuclear deterrence, officials say, because the government re-fuses to allow NATO to make the David Owen, Britain's former decision about whether French foreign secretary, says only major operation with allied nations, re-operation with allied nations, re-cently called on NATO to overhaul war. While French leaders have militarily significant French com-

would help resist any attack on coalition. West Germany, they maintain that France will never relanguish to NATO the decision to use nuclear weapons. Short of that, however, France has not yet solved many other questions of how to cooperate more effectively with its NATO allies.

A crucial issue is "overflight" rights," a guarantee that allied warplanes could use French airspace to

its institutions with an eye toward said indirectly that French troops mitment to a European defensive Speaking at the Council on For-eign Relations, Mr. Owen attacked Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher of Britain for echoing the tradition-

al U.S. rhetoric, that France should

at U.S. metonic, that France should "rejoin NATO"

Not much purpose is served by merely urging France and Spain to join the integrated command sirricture, they will not do so," he said. Instead, he said, NATO while reach the Mediterranean from retaining a U.S. supreme com-mander for all allied forces in wartime, should hand over its operational peacetime commands to European officers. This change would be designed to reassure Europeans that NATO served En-

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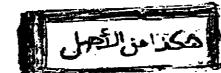
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vak films not yet seen in France will be screened in a Paris

theater for a week beginning Feb. 24, before being

French Craftsmanship on Display

A chance to see some of the best examples of French craftsmanship and design is offered by the exhibition at the Grand Palais called "De Main de Maitre" (From the Hand of the Master). Familiar and less familiar creations from the worlds of fashion, per-fume, jewelry and textiles are used to demonstrate the use of such diverse materials as

shown in 15 other French cities.



wood, stone, metal, glass, cotton, leather, furs and flowers. They include everything from a Hermès scarf and a watch by Chanel, to a vase by Dufy and exotic, jeweled sculptures from Chaumet. One of the objectives of the show is to help preserve and develop traditional craftsmanship, with the special knowledge and cultural values that it represents, and also to illustrate how industry makes use of them in the modern world. Until Feb. 21.

LONDON

Karsh of Ottawa at 80

■ An interesting quartet of photography exhibitions is currently on show in London. At the Barbican, there is Karsh, A Birthday Celebration," organized in honor of the 80th birthday of Josuf Karsh. It is the largest retrospective to date of the photogra pher's work: Winston Churchill's defiant wartime pose is among 150 portraits of celebrities Karsh has photographed in the past 50 years. Until June 12. To mark the Chinese New Year and the onset of the Year of the Dragon the Barbican is also showing the re-

suits of a six-year trek by the leading Japanese photographer Hiroji Kubota through all regions of China. More than 100 of his prints and photomurals, some more than six feet long, are on view. Until March 6. Also at the Barbican, the 19th-century photographer Henry Peach Robinson (1830-1901), who pioneered the technique of the "composite picture," using several negatives and re-touching methods, is given a major review in a show of 200 of his photographs and graphic works. Feb. 25 to April 24. The Hayward Gallery, meanwhile, shows 150 prints by the man who was called the "Turner of photography," probably the Victorian era's best-known photographer, Roger Fenton. Fenton became famous for his photographs of the Crimean War and later for his landscapes and portraits of Victoria and Albert and the royal family. He traveled widely; his study of a Nubian watercarrier was shot in 1858. Until April 17.

Avant-Garde Igloo

An exhibition of painting and sculpture by Mario Merz is on at the Anthony d'Offay gallery. It incorporates a gigantic metal igloo, posing the question "Do we turn round inside houses, or is it houses which turn around us?" The igloo is "an inexhaustible source of meaning" for Merz, says the gallery, apparently both as a very primitive form of habitation, and as a sophisticated geometrical form. But his question is perhaps these days more appro-priate to the denizers of Park Avenue than to those of

WASHINGTON

New Yorker Retrospective



■ The Corcoran Art Gallery is featuring a retrospective of 60 years of New Yorker magazine art, particularly the classic cartoons, by artists including James Thurber, Edward Koren, Charles Addams, Saul Steinberg, George Booth and others, Last week's opening was attended by Booth and Addams, whose ghoulie characters are an American

staple, having even been made into even been made u a TV series a lew years ago. He was asked why the Addams "family" was not "a fun-loving, all-American bunch instead of those creepies." "They are fun-loving," he responded. Here they are having fun

with some carol-singers (left). Also on show is the magazine's first (and annual) February cover—the Regency dandy examining a butterfly through a monocle. This im-age has become the New Yorker's hallmark; it was created by Rea Irvin, the magazine's first art director, and summed up the founder Harold Ross's declaration that "the magazine was not edited for the old lady in Du-buque." The exhibition continues until April 17, then moves to London.___

Philadelphia Learns Some Italian

Riccardo Muti conducting the Philadelphia Orchestra: Nowadays, all of those around him pepper their conversations with Italian.

by Michael Kimmelman

EW YORK — Minutes before a Philadelphia Orchestra rehearsal not long ago, Riccardo Muti, the music director, was lying down, his feet dangling over the arm of a dressing room couch at Carnegie Hall. He looked happy and relaxed. He cajoled an assistant about packing luggage for a trip, and chatted, one after the other, with the orchestra's general manager, Joseph Kluger, and its concertmaster, Norman Carol, about the ensemble's recent labor disputes. When it was time to go to work,

Nowadays, all of those around Muti pep-per their conversations with Italian phrases. One can read symbolism in this: For several years after he took over the reins of the Philadelphia Orchestra in 1980, Muti had to struggle not only with an entrenched andience that had grown accustomed, after 44 years, to seeing Eugene Ormandy on the podium, but also with a sense of cultural dislocation made worse by the conductor's difficulties speaking En-

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glish. While he was intent on establishing a serious artistic profile in Philadelphia, the city's residents seemed most interested in which barber trimmed his glamorous long hair. Today, however, it is literally and metaphorically Muti's language that's being spoken. He enjoys considerable praise from listeners and critics in and out of Philadelphia for transforming the orchestra into a versatile and virtuosic ensemble after its having become ragged and uninspired during the last decade of Ormandy's

lengthy stewardship.
The orchestra's new reputation has spread over the last few years through a series of successful national and international appearances. Beyond that, the Phila-delphians under Muti have become the most active of major American orchestras in the recording studio, lately issuing pol-ished but stylistically divergent accounts of several Beethoven symphonies and of works by Respighi, Rachmaninoff and

Most remarkably, perhaps, Muti has maintained widespread respect among the players. They praise in particular his seriousness, preparedness and attention fine points. In turn, Muti is proud of his collection. leagues: "At this moment, the Philadelphia Orchestra is the best in the country," he

UTI'S ascendance in Philadelphia has more than musical implications. The orchestra is that city's cultural standard-bearer, surrounded by a mystique of tradition in a town that prides itself on traditionalism. Hence, the changes Muti has brought to the orchestra — both in terms of its playing and its image — echo broadly throughout the city. Ormandy and his ensemble reflected old Philadelphia: stable, conservative, predictable. The 46-year-old Muti, who lavors sleek perfor-mances full of vigor and surface brilliance, seems to be more like what the city wishes

Thanks partly to Muti's support, money is being raised for a new concert hall to be built one block from the elegant but acous-tically dry Academy of Music, the longtime home for the orchestra. This comes after decades of discussion and inaction. The conductor has argued that the city needs another place, one equipped for television and recording, which will also free the over-booked Academy for other events. Finally, Philadelphia's business and political communities have apparently agreed. There is great significance to this, for the Academy

was a kind of second home to old, blueblood Philadelphia, and the possibility of a new orchestra hall reflects the breakdown of that group's monopoly on the tastes and style of the city's musical life.

Muti has worked in various ways to foster a new audience in Philadelphia, including the elimination of several Friday afternoon concerts and adding Friday evening events, which attract a younger crowd. Under Ormandy, concerts were often like so-cial events for the city's well-to-do, and the programs, which started fashionably late, included a large proportion of familiar music. Muti begins at 8 P.M. "I've tried to convince the audience that a concert is a communion between public and performers," he says. "Now we have much more disciplined listeners."

In addition to a still heavy dose of standards, the music director has added to the Philadelphians' subscription season a mix of unusual 19th-century Romantic pieces and a smattering of contemporary music. During his first years, Ormandy continued the tradition founded by his predecessor. Leopold Stokowski, of giving premieres of new pieces, including several by Rachmani-noff. But he seemed to lose interest during his final years. This season, to honor the bicentennial of the Constitution, the orchestra is performing several commis-sioned works. "If the big institutions don't help new music, it's the end of the cultural process," Muti says. "I don't think this is an obligation; it's a must."

This past summer, the orchestra went on a successful European tour that included its first appearance at the Salzburg Festival, where Muti has regularly appeared with other ensembles. Philadelphia listeners have come to accept Muti's jet-setting schedule, which includes guest-conducting stints with the Berlin Philharmonic and the Vienna Philharmonic and his role as music director at La Scala in Milan. Philadelphians seem to consider Muti's international reputation as enhancing the city's cosmo-

Politan image.

Not that Muti has quieted all detractors.

He is frequently criticized for performances that emphasize precision and elegance at the cost of profundity and emotional depth. About the oft-repeated attack that he undid the rich string sound that made the ensemble so admired under Ormandy, replacing it with a slicker, less distinctive style, Muti calmly responds, "I agree it's a problem that all orchestras sound the same today, especially with recordings. But if you listen to our recent recordings of the Rachmaninoff Third Piano Concerto, you will realize those old characteristics are still there - the voluptuous umbrella of sound, the perfume of sound - when they are needed. I don't want to destroy that. It's necessary for certain repertory. But when we play, for example, the Beethoven Fifth Symphony, we can be a different orchestra.

That's what makes Philadelphia so good." The orchestra has started a cycle of the complete Beethoven symphonies, in performances notable for their fast tempos in outer movements and high drama in slower sections. When he took over, the conductor put aside warhorses Ormandy had so often performed in order to retrain the ensemble in his own style. That he has taken them up again testifies to his belief that the Philadelphians are now his creation and will do these pieces his way.

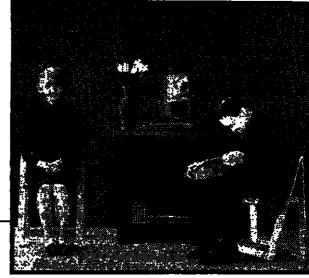
F the growing list of recordings has brought the ensemble considerable at-tention, the concert opera perfor-mances of works by Verdi based on new editions from Ricordi and, last season, of Wagner's "The Flying Dutchman," have inspired a disproportionate amount of interest. No opera is scheduled this season; Verdi's "Nabucco" is listed for next year. Muti insists that the ensemble's increased flexibility stems directly from these performances. "In opera, the orchestra must learn to sing along with the singers," says the conductor. "It's a sort of chamber music on

Although he spends more than three months a year with the Philadelphians, Italy has always been Muti's home, and the strong ties there cause occasional specula-

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A Sweet Look At Hockney's Long Career

by Paul Richard

OS ANGELES — David Hockney is going deaf. Nothing can be done. He has spent years designing sets for Mozart, Wagner and Stravinsky; now silence is descending and his hereditary hearing loss is smothering the operas he loves. He fears it's made him anti-social. He says, "You either sit there silently or else do all the talking." Once Hockney was a wonderboy. He turned 50 last July.

Upstairs, in the galleries of the Los Angeles County Museum of Art, more than 30 years of Hockney's life is on the walls. His voice retains some shadow of his native Yorkshire, of grim Bradford in the Midlands, but he's an Angeleno now. The high-keyed colors of his house in the hills above the city, and of his

newest paintings have a shine that's almost blinding.

Much modern art attacks. His, instead, invites. Hockney, when excited by something he's discovered - say, the look of California, or that of moving water, or how to give his photographs a sense of shingled time — takes his viewers with him. He teaches what he's learned: he tells you who he is.

If you know his art at all, you feel you know his homes, the poetry that's moved him, the tulips on his table, his parents and his friends. When he writes about his work, vividly and well, he does

so not to brag, only to explain. Hockney does not obfuscate. His paintings, from the start, have been thoughtfully instructive, touchingly endearing, absolutely clear. No wonder people love him. His paintings seem to glow with authentic generosity. He treats you like a friend.

IS retrospective is vastly entertaining. It starts when he's just a kid, with a portrait of his father. It includes his art school paintings with their scrawlings and their jokes; his paintings of transparencies, of water and of glass; his landscapes, still lifes, set designs, his photographs and prints; and dozens of his portraits of his heroes, lovers, pals. His show is shiny and it's

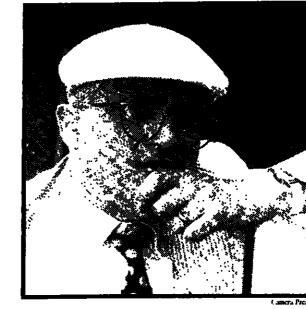
It is fun to see that glossy light, those cushions on the sofa, and his mother posing primly, patiently and proudly for her gifted son. It is fun took at Hockney as piercingly and swiftly he peers into a mirror and sketches his self-portraits. Looking at his grand, many-imaged photographs is like strolling there beside him as, slowly in his mismatched socks, he walks around that Zen garden at Kyoto, or through a square in Paris or across the Brooklyn

Walking through his show is like flipping through a scrapbook filled with snapshots of old friends — Henry Geldzahler, the scholar, lovely blue-eyed Celia Birtwell, little Stanley with red rubber ball, Christopher Isherwood at home.

But the pictures on the wall, the later ones at least, are much more than simple, single snaps. They're stills, they do not move, and yet they carry with them a sense of languid afternoons and friendly recollections and of quiet times unfolding.

Nothing here is coarse or forced. The painter's wit is sharp, and

his ironies are gentle, and a kind of singing sweetness seems to fill



Clockwise from top left: "Self-Portrait With Cigarette," 1983; a portrait of Hockney's dog; "My Parents," 1977; and Hockney.

the air. There are 200 works on view, and it is not easy to imagine another living artist capable of mounting a retrospective more

What, then, is that subtle, nagging irritation that undercuts the endless pleasures of this show? Can great fun be great art?

All of Hockney's life is here, all except the darkness. Nothing in his art suggests misery or bitterness, sourness or fear.

I know no other vanguard artist who draws, from life, as well. He seems to shift his style in almost every portrait. He's as good with a Rapidograph as he is with colored pencils Look at Celia with white flowers, or that drawing of his mum (made the day after his father died), or Henry in a deck chair. Every gesture seems controlled by the artist's keen intelligence. No line is out of place.

Few Americans can draw so well. Alice Neel is dead now, and so Raphael Soyer, and even at their best neither of them showed Hockney's sweet and stunning skill. Who, then, are our portraitists? England has a bunch: the anguished Francis Bacon, and the penetrating Lucian Freud, and the somber R.B. Kitaj, Hockney's art school friend. But all these men paint pain or doubt. Hockney does so rarely. Though the only people he portrays are those he deeply cares for, his evident affection is kept at some strange

Hockney worked two years in British hospitals as a conscientious objector, rather than accept military service. He is intolerant of injustice and writes with deep disgust about the class system of England. But no trace of his politics is apparent in his art.

Homoerotic art is these days much in fashion. But, unlike other

artists who wave their gayness like a flag. Hockney portrays his with no trace of belligerence, and with a kind of damped-down

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Around the World With N.Y. Festival

MERICANS like to do things in a big way — and perhaps no Americans more so than New Yorkers. And so - The First New York International Festival of the Arts is being launched as a monthlong event this summer, with, according to the organizers, no less than 350 events in 40 locations representing 25 countries and including 40 premieres.

The festival, from June 11 to July 11, is a privately sponsored event and the brainchild of Martin E. Segal, its chairman and a for-mer chairman of the board of Lincoln Cen-

The festival's advisory committee glitters with such names as Baryshnikov, Bergman, Bernstein, Boulez, Brook and Brustein, to list only the Bs, and the board of directors reaches outside the United States to include Michel Guy, a former French minister of culture, and Javier Pérez de Cuéllar, the secretary-general of the United Nations.

The festival seeks to be an overview of the arts of the 20th century and includes music, theater, dance, film, television and what is called in the arts world "multi-disciplinary" events, meaning things hard to define.
"The festival will illuminate the wonders

of the performing arts of this century," Segal said recently, adding that he hopes it will "promote international amity and further establish New York as the cultural capital of

Many artists who will participate in the festival, including Zubin Mehta, Merce Cunningham and Colleen Dewhurst, attended the gala preview last month at the United Nations, where they heard performances by the jazz pianist Billy Taylor and his trio along with Charles Wadsworth, the pianist and artistic director of the Chamber Music Society of Lincoln Center, and Paula Robi-

"This is the only city in the world that has the facilities, the audience and the ambience for such a festival," said Avery Fisher. "It will be like taking a trip around the world without leaving New York."

The \$8 million festival, which includes a number of specially commissioned works and other premieres, is expected to draw an audience of 400,000 to 600,000 people, and tickets are now on sale.

Among the festival's highlights are dance premieres of "John Henry," a ballet choreo-

graphed by Arthur Mitchell for the Dance Theater of Harlem, and works by the Ameri-can Ballet Theater, Pina Bausch, Cunningham and the Jacques d'Amboise National Dance Institute. Jason Robards and Dewhurst will star in Broadway productions of Eugene O'Neill's "Long Day's Journey Into Night" and "Ah, Wilderness!" Theater companies from Japan, Poland and developing countries will bring works to New York to be presented along with works by contemporary American playwrights at several Off Broadway theaters.

SCORE of major orchestras and chamber ensembles as well as winners of international music competitions will fill the city's concert halls, and Placido Domingo will give a solo perfor-mance in Central Park and the Museum of Modern Art will present a film series.

The hardest thing will be to sit down with the schedule and decide what to see," said Patricia McFate, president of the American-Scandinavian Foundation. She has helped book Scandinavian artists for the festival and also rented several floors of the organization's town house to Segal for the festival's headquarters.

Information and ticket orders can be obtained within and outside the United States by writing to The First New York International Festival of the Arts, 127 East 73d Street, New York 10021. Orders will be acknowledged by mail within 10 days of receipt and tickets for each performance will be mailed under separate cover. Tickets are subject to availability.

Additionally, American Express, the festival's founding sponsor, is offering card-members in Europe the possibility to get information and purchase tickets by phone or mail in Britain, France, West Germany

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Joseph Papp, a Man for All Audiences

by Thomas Quinn Curtiss

EW YORK - Joseph Papp, it is generally agreed, is the best thing that has happened in the American theater in years.

In the sickly '60s Broadway tumbled into decline. Its playhouses were disappearing to the wreckers and it was losing its customers due to the jump of ticket prices to meet rising production costs. It relied on star-cast revivals, British imports and musicals derived from old movies. Meanwhile, Papp, a young man bubbling with ideas, set about to restore the stage to health, vigor, and importance

He had his start by running an acting workshop in the basement of a Manhattan church in 1953. He took his student company out to act Shakespeare free in city parks to experience audience reaction. They made their expeditions in a flat-bed truck and when it broke down near Belvedere lake in Central Park Papp felt the accident was a good omen. Here was the ideal site for an out-

He fought the objections of the timorons park commissioner (who had torn down the park casino be-cause it was a relic of Mayor Jimmy Walker's corrupt regime). Papp ral-lied official support and subsidy. He supervised the construction of the alfresco theater - the Delacorte and charging no entrance fees opened it with the first performance of the New York Shakespeare summer festival.

Next he sought a year-round, indoor headquarters for the presentation of classics and the work of beginner playwrights. Learning that the Astor Library, an 1854 monu-ment of Victorian grandeur, was in danger of demolition he rushed to its rescue. He obtained permission to turn the venerable museum into The Public Theatre, which contains three

was very little Shakespeare on the New York stage," Papp recalled, "I saw John Gielgud and Leslie How-ard as Hamlet, but I was reared chiefly on vandeville. The great Houding was my ideal and I was ref His first offering was "Hair," the rock lampoon of hippie pipe-dreams houses there was an exhilarating rapport between the headliners and and attitudes, ornamented with some front-view nudity, an auda-cious innovation in 1967. It was

Papp's first production to be trans- what is should be, with the audience ferred to Broadway, where it scan-dalized and prospered. Subsequentparticipating with what is set before ly it was reproduced in many of the "After World War II service in the

world's capitals and has been a mod-Pacific, I was in Los Angeles. There I el for countless imitations. Since caught Laurence Olivier's film, then many of Papp's production 'Henry V.' It smacked me between have been invited to brighten the the eyes and I plunged into Shakeflickering Great White Way, among them "Two Gentlemen of Verona," speare. The Americans I had seen in the plays, it seemed to me, took the "Sticks and Bone," "The Pirates of Penzance," "Plenty," "The Mystery wrong track, imitating the standardized and lossilized English traditions of Edwin Drood" and the most re-- and not doing them very well. munerative of them all, "A Chorus Line." In 1983 after its 3,389th per-This monkeying of stock manner-ism and form of delivery lacked viformance it became the longest runtality and robbed the plays of their

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"There is no reason why Ameri-In his offices on Lafayette Street cans, if they have talent and clear, close by The Public Theatre, Papp, a distinct voices, cannot play Shake-speare. I have put it to the test and have seen street audiences enraptured by such lovely lines as I know a bank where the wild thyme blows / E has just embarked on a where oxlips and the nodding violet mammoth undertaking, the grows."

In his preface to an edition of "Henry V," Papp illustrates the sway of emotions that magnificent language can sur. "No matter how strong a pacifist you may be 'once more unto the breach' will make It is estimated that the enterprise will cost \$33 million. The plays will be acted by all-American casts. Meryl Streep, James Earl Jones, Robert De Niro, George C. Scott, Al Pacino, Richard Gere, Raul Julia and Kevin Kline, all of whom have continuated in the Chalcerrage for your blood tingle," he writes. "And it is conceivable that on 'The game's afoot. / Follow your spirit; and upon this charge, / Cry, God for Harry, England, and Saint George, you will rise out of your seat and follow the Saint George banner across the stage."

> APP believes that the classics should alternate with new plays depicting problems of the moment. He has welcomed David Rabe's Vietnam trilogy, Larry Kramer's "The Normal Heart" (about AIDS) and many other scripts with a social slant. Having made an exchange arrangement with the Royal Court Theatre of London he brought over Caryl Churchill's history of stock-market mischief, "Serious Money," certainly a topical subject this season, and it has moved to Broadway. He has 12 new plays in preparation this year.
> "Of the 19th-century dramatists

> Ibsen, Chekhov and Strindberg ap-



peal to me most. Strindberg was so far ahead of his time that he is the most modern author in the late 20th century. I love the Irish, too, Synge, Yeats and O'Cascy."

Our conversation drifted to stage players who go to Hollywood and get worse and worse. Did he believe that moviemaking corrupts great tal-

"Name one," he snapped.

"John Barrymore."
He mused on this a moment and then replied. "Barrymore took to booze and didn't care anymore. Those were the days of seven-year Hollywood contracts. Now actors who go into the movies are more cantious. The films give them high salaries and worldwide publicity, but they return to the stage as often as possible. They know that they need the theater to avoid being

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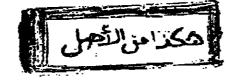
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Where, Oh Where **Has Melody Gone?**

by Stephen Holden

THATEVER happened to melody in popular music? I'm not talking about tunes — hummable little ditties with short catch phrases — but a fluid, cohesive theme of at least 16 bars in which no musical phrase is repeated. Richard Rodgers's "Some Enchanted Evening" has such a melody. As it flows along, moving through rich, unforced chromatic harmonies, its indelibility can't be explained by the hammering home of a formula. Like the greatest popular melodies, it eems to unfold organically, with rightness that transcends analysis.

Today, the word melody has an almost uaint ting. It brings to mind those television ads, usually narrated by distinguished-looking actors with upper-class English ac-cents who hawk recorded treasuries of the world's great melodies." Mushing together popular themes from Chopin, Rachmani-noff, Tchaikovsky, these anthologies are pre-sented as a higher class Muzak featuring

"Grooves" and "hooks," two of the operational words used today by commercial pop-

place in pop found its expression in melodies that stand among the most complex yet memorable tunes ever to become hit songs. Bacharach and David developed a tricky

staccato melodic diction in which rock-and roll energy and Latin American rhythms were built into the melodies themselves. Songs like "Walk On By," "I Say a Little Prayer" and "Anyone Who Had a Heart" flaunted long-lined melodies in which time signatures changed from measure to mea-sure almost according to whim. But this rhythmic intensity didn't prevent the melo-dies from ranging far and wide in extended narrative bursts that employed a chromatic vocabulary as rich as that of Cole Porter.

Powerful echoes of Bacharach can be heard in the melodic styles of everyone from Stevie Wonder to Michael McDonald to Steely Dan. And while Bacharach's recent hits, "That's What Friends Are For" and "On My Own" are more conventionally self-contained than his '60's songs, they still boast an unusual spontaneity and sense of

Simon and Garfunkel's 1970 recording of "Bridge Over Troubled Water" inaugurated a different, more grandiose style of pop



Burt Bacharach, Bruce Springsteen.

record makers, do not apply to the world's ballad, which has flourished commercially in great melodies. A groove is the essential quality — the combination of texture, speed and pattern — of a recording's hard rhyth-mic pulse. A hook is a regularly repeated, stensive examination: 10 server on the museum's collector abbreviated musical catch phrase that identifies a song or record. Not necessarily a part of the tune, a hook can be an instrumental figure within the texture of an arrangement. As time goes by and pop music becomes more involved with polyrhythms and electronic drum sounds, certain grooves are acquiring the characteristics of hooks. "Some Enchanted Evening" was created long be-fore anyone ever thought of either hooks or

> HE receding of the grand melodic tradition in pop as exemplified by Jerome Kern, Richard Rodgers and Cole Porter has been a continuous process ever since rock-and-roll launched what has proved to be an ongoing revolution in the relationship between melody and hard rhythm. Starting in the mid-1960s, rock injected popular music with an increasingly electrified and hard-edged backbeat that chopped up the melodic content of songs into short, abrupt phrases. Concurrently, the ascendance of the guitar altered the harmonic landscape, as simpler harmonic vocabular-ies overtook a pianistic European romanti-

Looking back on the history of the pop ballad since the heyday of Rodgers and Hammerstein, it is interesting to analyze the ways in which different composers responded to the changing equation between melody and rhythm. The pop composer who forged the most important links between the prerock era and today's more musically sophisticated pop-rock is Burt Bacharach. In the series of hits he composed, arranged and coproduced with his former lynical partner, Hal David, the rhythmic revolution taking

the hits of Barry Manilow, Whitney Houston and others. This generic style of ballad formalizes the stentorian atmosphere of the Simon and Garfunkel hit by grounding it with a slogging martial rhythm. Motown songwriters refined a pop-gospel ballad style that translated Rodgers and Hammerstein-

style melodies into a pop-rock shorthand.

If melody in contemporary pop ballads has been reduced to formula, it has all but vanished from the mainstream of guitarbased rock and urban dance music. The melodic material in most of Bruce Springsteen's recent songs is so spare that his tunes night best be described as proto-rock-androll, since they serve as the barest framework

for the lyrics, performance and texture. But the most important indicator of the continuing decline in melody has been the popularity of rap music, which dispenses with melody altogether. Last year, LL Cool I's "I Need Love" became the first rap ballad to reach the Top 10 on the pop charts. The rapper, his voice caressed by shimmering keyboards, expressed his romantic dreams in an urgent, rhyming sweet-talk that seemed much more emotionally direct than any sung version of the verses could have sounded.

Melody is not about to disappear. What has happened is that technology and global telecommunications have combined to transform the very form and content of popular music. As spontaneous cultural ex-changes have taken place around the world, Anglo-American pop has lost its European-oriented ethnocentricity. At the same time, pop sound has become an omnipresent fact of urban life. The vocabulary of pop has become similar to the computer languages in which we converse. Brevity, immediacy, speed and directness are what matter, Pop's dreamy enchanted evenings of long ago have become today's hot, beating nights.

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The Beauty of the Aztecs' Dark Culture

by Michael Gibson

RUSSELS - Ten years ago, an employee of the electric power company of Mexico City was digging up a street near the cathedral when his pickax struck a large stone object.

He and his fellow workers eventually un-covered a circular carved disk, 3.25 meters (about 101/2 feet) in diameter, representing. in a vigorously stylized form, the dismem-bered body of a woman. As it turned out, it represented the Aztec moon goddess Coyolxauhqui, and the place in which it was found turned out to be the base of the tremendous Templo Mayor, which the Span-ish conquerors razed in the 16th century.

This discovery somehow gives a tangible form to the conflicting feelings that the fate of Aztec culture inspires. On the one hand there is a sense of dismay at the wanton destruction of a civilization of matchless splendor, whose works so dazzled Albrecht Durer when he saw them at the Brussels court of Emperor Charles V in August 1520. "In all the days of my life," wrote Dürer in his diary, "I have never seen anything that so much rejoiced my heart."

On the other hand there is the revulsion inspired by a culture that assumed the sun could only continue warming the earth as long as it was sustained with sacrificial human blood. According to (perhaps not entirely impartial) Spanish sources, 20,000 prisoners of war were offered up in this way in the course of a single year. They were taken up the temple steps, their chests were hacked open with ritual knives, their hearts ripped out and their dismembered bodies sent toppling down the steep incline - in an endless re-enactment of the death of the moon goddess whose sprawling figure was recently discovered under the pavement of modern Mexico.

One hundred and fifty of the items uncovered during the subsequent archaeological digging are on view in the Musées royaux d'Art et d'Histoire in Brussels through April 17, along with 200 objects on loan from

ZTEC society was highly stratified — A according to its laws, anyone found wearing the clothes or insignia of a caste not his own was sentenced to death. But despite its autocratic cast, the culture's attitude toward death and its practice of human sacrifice, was perceived quite otherwise, even by the people who, having been conquered by the Aztecs, were chosen as sacrificial victims. The prisoners designated to be slaughtered believed that they would become "the eagle's companions" and follow the sun in its course across the heavens. After four years in the service of the sun, they would be reborn as hummingbirds and spend a blissful eternity thereafter flying from flower to flower. This belief actually made it a desirable honor to die in such a

The exhibition makes abundantly clear that the common culture of Central America was an eerie and indeed overwhelmingly poetic web of images so that each sculpture which a wealth of symbolic notions relating to the cosmos and human destiny are intricately interwoven. Much of Aztec art is a fantastic web of shapes in which one only gradually manages to distinguish a face, an arm, a headdress and so forth. This intricacy of meaning is apparent even in a relatively simple stone figure of Cihuateteo, a symbo of women who died in childbirth.

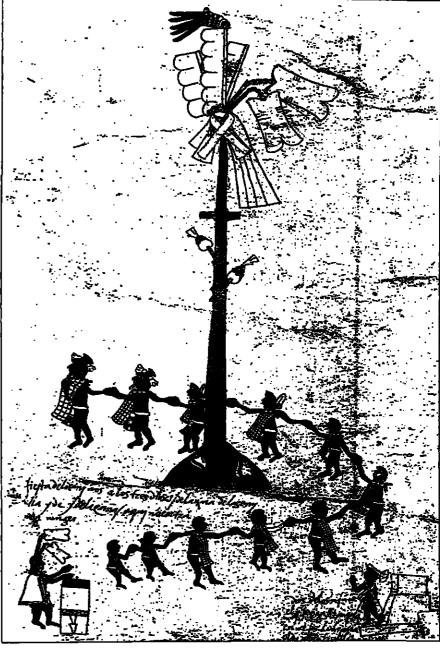
Any woman who died in this way was regarded as the equal of a warrior who died in battle and she, too, consequently became a companion of the sun. The head of the statue is marked with labyrinthine lines which, in a surprisingly orderly fashion, are intended to suggest the disorder of the hair of a woman who has died during childbirth.

The poetic element here, beyond the superstitions that tend to crystalize around any such perception, is the touching notion that the disordered hair of the woman who has died after a fruitless struggle is itself an image of chaos and death — for death in the

Aztec view is a form of chaos. Women who died in childbirth were buried at a crossroads and a statue of Cihuateteo similar to the one on exhibit was placed near their graves. The figure is shown kneeling, her fleshless lips revealing her teeth. Seeing her could bring bad luck to men, on certain days at least.

UT much of what is shown here re-Bed to harden all too quickly and move toward the sort of dreadful ritual revealed by the statue of Xipe Totec, the god of spring-time and fertility, loaned by the Princeton Museum. The divinity is represented by a priest who has been dressed in the skin of a flayed human victim. The skin is visibly knotted on his back, and his eyes and mouth are apparent through the holes cut in the dead man's skin. This ritual was intended to ignify the renewal of nature in springtime.





Stone figure of Cihuateteo, symbol of women who died in childbirth. Right, the Codex Borbonicus shows a possible use for some of the ornaments in the show, on the headdress of the god Otontecuhtli, presented as a mummy.

doubt, but they also managed to crase practically all vestiges, all memory, all historical traces. The marvelous objects in gold of the sort that Dürer had so enthusiastically admired were brought together and melted down into gold bars. That was for profit alone: "I and my companions," said Cortés to Montezuma, "have a sickness of the heart

which can be cured only by gold." After the conquest, the temples of the capital were taken apart, stone by stone. All nanner of religious objects were shattered, mutilated or buried. Thousands of books. considered as works of the devil, were burned, until it occurred to someone, much too late, that they could yield knowledge that might be useful to those who were determined to rule and convert these people. Only 14 pre-Hispanic codexes out of countless thousands have survived, most of them in Ешгоре.

Fortunately there were also a few intelligent and compassionate priests who saved what they could and gathered as much information as possible on the society that was

The exhibition in Brussels covers a wide range of activities relating both to ritual and to daily life. The ceramic pieces are full of charming and often humorous details that make a fortunate contrast with the darker aspects of Aztec culture. Jewelry is well represented, and so are sports in the form of a ball game intended to symbolize the course

An excellent catalogue gives a vast fund of information without which one cannot hope fully to appreciate the significance of much of what is shown.

Hockney Retrospective

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ssion. Even when he paints the men he's loved most deeply, his pictures show no trace

of fiery lust.

Hockney has of late learned much from the last, and undervalued, paintings of Picasso. But no sign of that master's rage is seen in

Instead, a friendliness unending, a polite-

His art is rarely vapid or facile, and never void of passion, but it is the passion of the pedagogue.

ness deep and generous --- toward his sitters and his audience - flows like balm throughout this show.

His art is rarely vapid, rarely facile, and rever void of passion. But what his friend Henry rightly calls "the double entrance-ment of learning and teaching" is the fuel that feeds the fire of David Hockney's art. The passion that burns in it is the passion of

You feel that in his finest works, say, such Polaroid assemblages as "Noya and Bill Brandt with Self Portrait (Although They Were Watching This Picture Being Made) Pembroke Studios London 8th May 1982." It's made of 49 square photographs, each one near perfection. Hockney draws like a magician, yet driven by some questioning, some need to learn and teach and test, he tied his hand behind his back, and, picking up a camera, just went click, click, click.

His final photographic piece, "Pearblossom Hwy, 11-18 April, 1986," is even more impressive. It shows a stretch of highway in the Mojave Desert, but as no single photograph could depict the scene. It has been pieced together of 700 snapshots. It took Hockney nine days to take the pictures. He

climbed a ladder to photograph the stop sign, he knelt on the ground to aim at the squashed beer cans. You almost walk into

that picture, and it takes an hour to see it

fully. It's not just a slice of time.
Whether exploring the restrictions of sin-

gle-point perspective, or the task of painting

swimming pools ("Water can be anything — it can be any color, it's movable, it has no set

visual description"), or the problems of the stage, Hockney has never ceased exploring. He says the "Pearblossom Hwy," picture, because its slow construction became a kind

of drawing, has brought him back to paint-

ing, has returned him to the hand. His

newest works on view are prints made in his studio with an office copier.

Hockney knows he's 50, but he says, "I feel just as I did when I was 25." His cagerness is boyish still. When he talks of Chiaese landerene smalls or about Picasso he does

landscape scrolls, or about Picasso, he does so like a kid who has just had the neatest lesson. When he talks about the love he feels

for his little dog, he does so with the joy of a wholly happy child.

His boyhood is retreating. Perhaps when Hockney's old and deaf, some Beethoven-

like darkness, some tragic understanding and sense of shadowed depth, will open underneath the brightness of his art. Per-

haps, and perhaps not.
It may be that the fault is ours, and not his.

It may well be that Hockney will someday be remembered less for his portraits and inventions, his photographs, his stage sets

and his barrier-testing restlessness than for the amiable kindness in his art.

Although the Los Angeles County Muse-

um organized this show, Hockney was the curator most responsible for his home-town retrospective. (When a collector from Ham-

burg refused, despite the artist's pleas, to lend a painting of a swimming pool for this

touring show, Hockney made a copy. It is there on the wall.) The show will be at the

Metropolitan Museum of Art in New York

June 18 to Aug. 14, and then go, next fall, to London, to the Tate. It will remain in Los

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Muti

tion and concern in Philadelphia about whether he will stay with the orchestra if an appealing offer is tendered in Europe (his contract with Philadelphia extends through 1990). Muti brushes off the idea. "There's always more work to be done with the orchestra, much to improve — the quality of programs, of audience, of performances," he

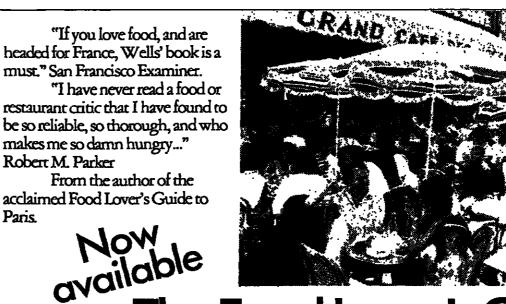
ays.
Still, the conductor's wife and children live in Ravenna and Muti admits to feeling not entirely at home yet in the United Stateswhere he spends roughly four months each year. Fluency in English has helped ease a shyness that some observers interpret as arrogance. He is still chided for not smiling enough. There is, however, a light-hearted side to the conductor that his players know but that the public doesn't often see, and when he loosens up, Muti can seem youthful-ly passionate about everything from films to

food and especially about opera. Ormandy was very much a society figure in town. His successor has avoided having anything to do with that sort of thing, insisting his only obligation is to music. Yet, as he has transformed the Philadelphia Orchestra into an instrument of his own vision, he has also begun to accept the role of unofficial city leader. Muti sounds almost like a community spokesman when he concludes: "Philadelphia is a city that has everything. Now we must just pull it all together."

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IN BLOCK LETTERS

SPORTS/1988 WINTER OLYMPICS



Allen Bourbeau, right, a U.S. forward, scuffles with Anatoli Semenov, a blue wavers in the sellout crowd of advance to the medal round. But while Soviet forward, during the Soviet hockey team's hard-fought 7-5 victory. 19,000 at the Saddledome chanted, and doubts remain about their ability, partic-

Furious U.S. Rally Falls Short Against Soviets

By Gordon Edes
Los Angeles Times Service

CALGARY, Alberta - Maybe the accepted wisdom is right, and it truly is folly to try to run with the Lakers, play longball with the Yankees, or trade punches with Tyson. But there's always someone bold or crazy enough to try, and those rare nights when they succeed constitute some of the most enduring

The U.S. hockey team did not succeed Wednesday night. The Americans were beaten, 7-5, by the Soviet Union - still the heavyweight champions of the hockey world - in their first Olympic meeting since Team CCCP ran into a U.S. ambush in Lake Placid eight years ago.

The Soviets led, 6-2, after two periods, but the U.S. team was about as willing to admit a lost cause as Gary Hart, and the Americans went toe-to-toe with the Soviet hard men in the third period. The U.S. team scored three times in

quick succession, and there was the Sovi-et coach, Viktor Tikhonov, signaling for a timeout. What had been a red menace was close to being crimson with embar-

one more time, the best player on the ice ularly on defense, there can be no quesresponded.

Vyacheslav Fetisov may someday play in the United States, for the New Jersey Devils, no less, the National Hockey League team that holds his rights. But for now, the closest thing to Bobby Orr on either side of the Iron Curtain is still cutting the ice for Mother Russia.

And Wednesday, the Soviet defenseman severed the last strand of American hopes for a comeback when he rushed past winger Todd Okerlund, faked defenseman Brian Leetch, and slipped the puck under goalie Chris Terreri with 2:01 left to play.

The goal was Fetisov's second of the night. He assisted on three others and was the singular reason the Soviets were able to emerge with their honor intact. That used to be the job of Vladislav Tretiak, the world's greatest goalie, but Tretiak is out of the puck-stopping business and was in a Calgary department

store autographing books Wednesday.
The U.S. players ended the game with nights before and must beat Norway, tion about their mettle.

"I thought we had a great game the of the home run, you've got to be aware other night," the assistant coach Ben Smith said at a postgame news conference. "But this one outdid it for drama Mantle tonight."

Teaning the guys, You ve got to be aware fusco, busting through Fetisov and his partner, Igor Stelnov, to flip a shot over the left shoulder of Mylmikov.

Mantle tonight."

Mantle tonight." and exposure. I get the feeling this team doesn't know any words that begin with the letter O.'

The Americans came very close to abling the Soviets, who seemingly had the game in hand when they scored three goals, two of them on power plays, in a span of 4:22 of the second

"Give credit to our guys," said Terreri, who could have come undone after the Soviets unloaded on him, Ferisov finishing the blitz.

"Most teams probably would have rolled over and died in the third period." Some teams would have been left for dead in the first period, when the Soviets took a 2-0 lead on a breakaway goal by Sergei Makarov at 7:23 followed just over two minutes later by a picture powtheir second straight loss — they lost to the Czechoslovaks by the same score two by jumping on a U.S. turnover deep in the Soviet end, then hitting the Soviet winger in stride just before he crossed

But while the U.S. skaters were seeing sluggers, the Soviets had their hands full with scrappers. A moute and a half into the second period, the U.S. team had its first goal, Lane MacDonald scoring the first of his two goals after defensemen Jeff Brown had smothered a Soviet clear-

The Soviets went up by two again, 3-1, on a power-play goal by Kasatonov, his second goal of the night, at 8:58, but winger Allen Bourbeau drew the U.S. ing the puck past Soviet goalie Sergei. The Germans took the lead for good Mylnikov while lying flat on his back. 38 seconds into the second period on a

"We just couldn't get the bounces or the five-goal second period breaks. The Soviets are great counterattackers. They press, press, press, then the Norwegian goal against 11 shots for put it in the net."

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telling the guys. You've got to be aware of the second period. Then it was Scott

Leetch hit the goalpost with a shot, and Tikhonov was calling for time. But the Americans couldn't finish off the rally.

■ Germans, Czechoslovaks Win. In other Olympic hockey Wednesday, West Germany defeated Austria, 3-1, to join the Soviet Union as the only unbesten teams after three games in the B pool;

The Associated Press reported: Czechoslovakia coushed Norway, 10-1, to improve to 2-1. They are the third and final team from the pool likely to team within one again at 11:40, sweep- advance to the six-team medal rounding the puck past Soviet goalie Sergei. The Germans took the lead for good

That's when the Soviets struck with two-man power play, with Helmut Steithree quick jabs — goals by Valeri Kager netting the winner past goalie Brian mensky, Igor Larionov and Fetisov. Stankiewicz. For Czechoslovakia, Dusan "It was a weird game," Terreri said. Pasek scored two goals, one of them in a

The Czechoslovaks shot 35 times on In the third period, however, the U.S. score, but we wanted to make sure we team did some pressing of its own. won the game," said the Czechoslovak First, it was MacDonald, banging coach, Jan Starsi, keeping a straight face.

East German Women Sweep Luge Medals As High Winds Again Interfere in Games

CALGARY. Alberta — East and I couldn't see my skis anymore, the defending gold medalist who Germans swept the medals in the I missed a gate, but I was going to took 1987 off to care for her baby, caused the postponement of two be allowed a restart. more events.

The women's downhill skiing event was delayed until Friday and the men's 90-meter team ski jumping competition until next Wednes-

Pam Fleicher, America's strontion indicated the leg was broken, and she will not be able to race. The wir

zerland got about one-third of the way down the course, but wind-whipped snow obscured her vision and she skied into soft snow, even-ished Wednesday but were delayed

tually missing a gate. until "It was a joke," Oertli said. winds.

Later, winds at Canada Olympic Park prompted officials to post-pone the team ski jumping event for the second day in a row.

Following three days of cancellations of practice sessions, the heats. Cerstin Schmidt, the 1987 jumpers managed to get in three gest alpine ski contender, injured rounds of practice jumps from the medal, her leg in a freak accident just be90-meter tower Thursday morning
It w fore the scheduled start of the in calm conditions. The wind downhill. A preliminary examina- kicked up shortly before the start of

and she will not be able to race.

The downhill was postponed because of winds of up to 72 mph (115 kph) at the top of the Olympic course at Mount Allan, 50 miles

The winds, gusting to 25 mph, were so strong that plans to switch the event to the 70-meter tower, partially screened by the 90-meter tower, had to be scrapped.

west of Calgary.

Michela Figini and Maria Wal
Michela Figini and Maria Wal
Mente that have plagued the 1988

Only one skier made it out of the First, the men's downhill, which start house Thursday when the race was to have been run Sunday, was was halted. Brigitte Oertli of Swit- delayed until Monday, when Pir-

until Thursday because of the

women's singles luge competition stop anyway."

went ahead in Thursday's first on Thursday, and the winds that She complained to course workheat, the third of the competition, have plagued the Winter Games ers. who stopped other racers from and held the lead through the since they opened last weekend leaving the start house. Oertli is to fourth to win. Walter's four-heat total was 3

minutes, 3.973 seconds. She is the first woman to win two gold medals

The silver medalist was Ute Oberhoffner, who had led after two world champion, won the bronze

It was the second East German sweep in the event in as many

Olympics.
"I barely made the team," Walter said. "When they first chose the team. I had the fourth-fastest time. But they gave me a few extra weeks of training and I made it."
Walter had a son, Sebastian, less

than a year ago with her husband

best U.S. finish ever in the sport.

ish in an Olympic tuge event was a minth in men's doubles in 1984. was 6 feet, maybe taller, so he was much larger than I was and I got Cammy Myler matched that the brunt of it."

with a ninth place on Thursday. her right leg about an hour before season the scheduled start of the downhill.

the downhill, was carried by coach- Olympic compulsory figures. He es to the medical area at the bottom of the Mount Allan course. The accident occurred as skiers were completing training runs for the downhill. Fletcher was skiing

down an exit road from a training hill when the course worker, skiing the wrong direction into the exit ramp, smashed into her.

ambled out of the medical area on

The 5-foot-2, 130-pound (1.58meter, 59-kilogram) Fletcher later

America's Bonny Warner, an crutches to speak to reporters. Her outside medal hope going into the leg was wrapped and placed in a competition, came in sixth for the splint.

est U.S. finish ever in the sport.

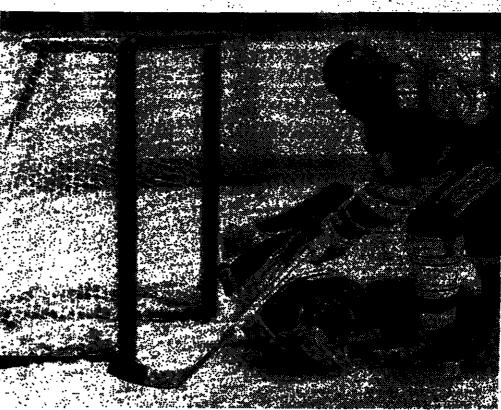
"It was like hitting an oak tree."

The best previous American finshe said in a quivering voice. "He much larger than I was and I got

The U.S. women's ski team has The 25-year-old Fletcher injured been badly crippled by injuries this

Late Wednesday, the Soviet fig-Fletcher, who had been listed to ure skater Alexander Fadeev be the first skier down the course in wrapped up victory in all three outdistanced world champion Brian Orser of Canada and four-time U.S. titlist Brian Boitano.

Boitano wound up second, followed by Orser.



Maybe His Wild Heart **Betrayed Zurbriggen**

Post-Mortem of a Downhiller's Fall

By Thomas Boswell

Washington Past Service
CALGARY, Alberta — Nobody outside tiny Saas-Almagell in the Swiss Alps knows the mind of silent. simple, mysterious Pirmin Zurbriggen, the crazy-courageous choirboy of Alpine ski racing. He speaks little, reveals less, then hur-tles down mountains as heedless as a howling wind. So, ignorant of his soul, the world will just have to guess what befell peerless Pirmin on Wednesday in these Olympics on the cloud-shrouded slopes of the Canadian Rockies.

Perhaps the wild competitive heart of a downhiller betrayed him. When caution would've insured a second gold medal, Zurbriggen chose to ski like Zurbriggen — flat out, with his tips a hair's breadth from the stakes. As a result, he hooked a gate and fell on his pink goggles, handing the men's Alpine combined title to his stunned friend, Hubert Strolz of Austria.

Zurbriggen might as well have stood atop Mount Allan and hurled his medal, and his chances of equaling Eric Heiden's five gold medals in one Winter Olympics, into one of Nakiska's pincy gorges. Before Zurbriggen's final slalom

run, one of his closest pursuers, Canada's Felix Belczyk, was asked what Zurbriggen needed to do to win. "Just stand up," he said. That's how large the leader's margin was under the point formula used in the combined to evaluate one downhill and two slatom runs.

Yet, at the mountain top. doubts were arising. "Some of us said. 'He "If he had been skiing not too

aggressively, he would have made it," Strok said. "He had so much advantage." Now the ski world can warm its

of West Germany. second gold and sta Was his training focused on win-

Peter Müller? Because of Sunday's downhill postponement, he did not

have even one day to rest. "I had a very hard day after the downhill race. There were no minutes to myself — except a glass of champagne," Zurbriggen said on Tuesday, "Slalom is very hard. I haven't been skiing much slalom since the start of the season, so I need some training."

Still, Zurbriggen is a former world slalom champion. He was hardly on foreign turf. And, in his morning slalom run, he wobbled twice in the same upper part of the course where he later fell. Any time in the top dozen on his second slalom run would have iced the

"It looked like a classic choke," said Tiger Shaw, a U.S. skier. "He knew exactly where he stood. That just does not happen to Pirmin. He must have been uptight. The com-bined is the race that would do it to you. Three runs, a night to sleep on combined has the sharpest turns

and the best chance to hook a tip." No one need pity Zurbriggen. The downhill gold was a prize of a lifetime — a win worth \$1 million easily. Zurbriggen still will be the favorite in the super-giant slalom, a race that blends downhill speed and recklessness with wider slalom turns. He will be a slight underdog to Alberto Tomba of Italy in the

slalom and giant slalom. Still, Zurbriggen had a chance to make these Winter Games his stage. Figure skating is lovely, speed skating brutal, but Alpine looks nervous. He's not going to finish," said Finn Jagge of Norway. "But I never thought I'd be right. He never falls."

skiers, in their Spiderman tights and black visors out of Star Wars, are the undisputed glamour kings of winter sports. If Zurbriggen had somehow won five solds a local somehow won five golds, a longshot but conceivable, Heiden would have had to step aside as the greatest of all Winter Olympians.

Now, he won't Perhaps in 20 years, when Zurtoes by the fire debating Zurbrig-briggen writes his memoirs, he will tell us what plans ran through his Was his strategy flawed? "He mind during the two hours between goes too hard. This was an easy his slalom runs Wednesday, two course, too easy for a slalom spe- hours when he knew that all he had cialist like me," said Armin Bittner to do was "just stand up" to win a second gold and start a drum roll to

ning the downhill, leaving him Until testimony arrives to the open to the narrow margins of er-contrary, why not assume that a ror in the slalom? Strolz thought so. great champion, especially one who Or, were Zurbriggen's nerves feels that he is a downhiller to his frayed and his mind tired by the bootstraps, knows only one way to hoopla after his downhill win over race. Hellbent

Both, however, are considered superior free skaters to Fadeev, and free skating counts for 70 percent

of the scoring in the event, which continued Thursday and was to

conclude Saturday.

(AP, UPI, AFP) Sergei Makarov scoring the first Soviet goal past the fallen U.S. goalkeeper, Chris Terreri.



Katarina Witt: Grace and Will

Skater Hopes to Entrance One More Olympic Audience

By Sally Jenkins

Washington Post Service CALGARY, Alberta - She has arrived. The Nikons quicken, the Pentaxes snap, and Katarina Witt enters the room with a "hello-my-darlings"

smile that slays them. Witt, the two-time world and defending Olympic champion in women's figure skating, has come here to establish once and for all her pre-eminence in both athletic and cosmetic pursuits. But of course they adore the East German and why

Not since Peggy Fleming won three world titles in the 1960s has figure skating been so entrancing. Should Witt win her second Olympic gold medal when the event begins with computer since next Wednesday, the world become the first since next Wednesday, she would become the first since Sonia Henie to do so.

Tuesday night, she is arrayed in plum, facing a news conference of 400 reporters from all over the world. Only Debi Thomas of the United States, the

1986 world champion, has garnered half this attention. Thomas is also the only skater who has beaten Witt since she won a gold medal in Sarajevo in 1984. Witt contemplates the competition: Whoever has the greatest nerve has the greatest

chance to win," she said. Witt's nerve is perhaps her second most valuable quality. While it is perfectly all right to be beguiled by her beauty, which is stunning (she turned down a \$1 million offer from a cosmetics company), do

not be deceived by it. She is a calculating competitor who gives no quarter to her opponents. That is illustrated by her coolness toward Thomas of whom she said, "We have no personal relationship." By an odd coincidence, both Witt and

"Carmen" in the decisive long program.

Thomas represents perhaps the only threat to Witt's stated intention to retire as a champion.

"I worked harder on this than I ever have," she said. "In the last four years there has been just sports for me. This was the most important thing."
Witt has achieved the status of national hero in

Thomas have chosen to skate to music from Bizet's

East Germany, where she receives thousands of international marriage proposals through the mail. While most East Germans wait 10 years for a car and an apartment, at 22 Witt has her own flat in Karl Marx Stadt and drives a small Russian-made sedan, and her clothing is always fashionable. Her taste in music and choreography lean to-

ward Glenn Miller and George Gershwin, while off the ice she likes Madonna and acid-washed jeans. She is also an admitted flirt. Her flamboyant style has occasionally drawn

criticism from opponents and their coaches. At times on the ice she has performed as Maria from "West Side Story," and a risque belly dancer, "In a way this is part of skating," she said. "It's an expression of grace and beauty. I think everyone prefers looking at a well-shaped woman."

Beyond her sometimes liberal taste, however,

Witt remains a loyal East German athlete who was raised in the disciplined tradition of that state's sports clubs. Witt began skating at age 5, and at 9 began working with trainer Jutta Müller, who has produced a procession of skaters who have won more than 50 international medals.

"I would never have been a skater in another country, because my parents could not have af-forded it," Witt said.

Over the last 13 years Witt has trained 11 months a year, six hours a day with Müller, who choreographed for Witt and chose her music, costumes and makeup. "I think I owe everything to her," Witt said. "I'm very grateful to her, even if she has been very demanding and severe."

Müller is severe, a small, dark and usually im-

passive woman. But her affection for Witt is obvi-Witt's career will end with the world champion-ships in Budapest at the end of March. After that, she will enroll in an acting school in

Berlin with the hope of becoming a film star, Having attained the status of a great diva, she is loath to give it up.
"At the end, when the public applauds, this

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fulfills dreams," she said.

OLYMPIC MEDALS TABLE

Three Romanian speed skaters and their coach returned abruptly to Bucharest last weekend because of a "special situation" in the coach's family, the head of the Romanian delegation to the No.

Olympics has said.
Gabriel Popasco, mission chief of the Romanian team, denied speculation that the four team members had sought to defect to Canada or that the skaters feared failing drug tests.

"They never had it in their minds to defect," Popason said Wednesday. "They will keep participating and will be in competition in the next Olympics."

■ ABC television missed most of the third-period surge of the U.S. hockey team against the Soviet Union. The network cut away from the game early in the period with the Soviets ahead, 6-2. ABC was showing taped coverage of skiing and figure skating as the Americans stormed back, but returned to the game after the second of three U.S. comeback goals. (AP, LAT)

■ The coach of Canada's crosscountry ski team, Marty Hall, more or less backed off Wednesday from his insinuations that Soviet skiers had engaged in blood-doping. He raised the possibility after Sovietmen finished first and second in the 30-kilometer race. Blood-doping is a banned process in which athletes have blood removed weeks before a competition and reinfused just before the competition, raising their

ability to use oxygen. (NYT)

Bojan Krizaj, a contender for a medal in the slalom, hit a tree. Wednesday during training and injured his right knee, Yugoslav team officials said. They said it was still possible he would race Feb. 27. The Canadian hockey defenseman Tony Stiles, who suffered a concussion in a collision with a Swiss player Tuesday, was expected to miss Canada's games Thursday

and Saturday.

Saturday.

Subbed by the Glenbow Museum, the site of an Olympics-related exhibit of native artifacts, Doug Pederson, who calls himself a shaman, told the Calgary Herald he is.

going to make it rain during the Winter Games instead of snow.

Pederson said that he performed a sacred rain dance in a Banff, Alberta, hotel room earlier this month because the museum would not accept his ancient Indian medicine stones for its exhibit.

Don't laugh. Two years ago, Expo '86 officials in Vancouver, British Columbia, refused to display his stones, believed by some to have magical and healing powers. After Pederson did his rain dance, Vancouver had rain.

53 days. (LAT)

Dave Peterson, U.S. bockey. coach, on why he changed goalies in the first game: "I looked at the

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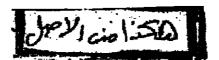
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Swift Willie Gault: Bear on a Bobsled

By Dave Anderson

New York Times Service

CALGARY — In his red-white-and-blue Olympic warm-up suit, Willie Gault was holding forth on his sudden presence on the U.S. bobsled team. But he's always a presence, Although best known as a wide receiver for the Chicago Bears of the National Football League, he organized and was the lead singer of their "Super Bowl Shuffle" rap video. He has danced in a benefit ballet. He's studying to be an actor And Wednesday between studying to be an actor. And Wednesday, between auditions for a bobsled part at the XV Olympic Winter Games on Saturday and Sinday, he was surrounded by several photographers.

"Hold up a No. I," one photographer said.

Once a world-class sprinter and hurdler, he smiled, but he didn't raise a finger.

"I'm not No. I," he said firmly.

"C'mon, help us out," another photographer said.

with the third sled. So, he's not about to raise a No. I finger even if he is a ham, an athletic ham

with the philosophy that "life is a competition."

Even Don LaVigne, the Harvard bobsledder whom Gault bumped into being an alternate, talks about how "there's nothing personal between us. Willie's just a competitive person. He doesn't think he did anything wrong." But some members of the 13-man team consider Gault an intruder.
"Two or three guys don't accept me," Gault was saying. "I care, but who cares if they don't accept

me? I care, but how could I prevent it?" He could have prevented it by not joining the U.S.

bobsled team in Austria last month, shortly after the Washington Redskins eliminated the Bears from the NFL playoffs. But that wouldn't be Willie Gault. "Controversy seems to follow me," he said. "I don't go with the flow."

With the Bears, the 6-foot (1.82-meter), 180-pound (81.6-kilogram) wide receiver was criticized by Jim McMahon, in the quarterback's autobiography, for his role in the "Super Bowl Shuffle." That prompted Gault's wife, Daimese, to criticize McMahon. In their truce, McMahon later attended Gault's benefit ballet performance. But with the coach, Mike Ditka, and McMahon often sniping at each other, the Bears have been pro football's most

controversial team in recent years.
"Being on the Bears," Gault said, "prepares you for anything."

And, when was asked if the two-man bobsled driver should select his pusher-brakeman, he

That'd be like McMahon picking his receivcrs." he said.

"Is your bobsled coach, Jeff Jost, anything like Mike Ditka?" he was asked. "No," he said. "Jeff Jost is a little more laid

Mike Wasko is the listed pusher-brakeman on the sled driven by Brent Rushlaw, an Olympian for the fourth time. But in the training runs, Mike Aljoe, a former University of Oklahoma defensive end with a "USA," haircut above and around his left ear, has been the pusher-brakeman. The other team, of Matt Roy and Jim Herberich, appears set, but Jost, a New York State trooper, hasn't decided on Rushlaw's pusher-brakeman.

"Aljoe has been the fastest pusher," Jost said.
"But we have to incorporate him into a harmonious start with the driver."

Jost acknowledged that he would be "happy with a top 10 finish" in the two-man sled and was hooing for a brouze medal" in the four-man Asked about Gault's status for the four-man sleds, which will race the following Saturday and Sunday, Jost declined to name any names. But the



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Willie Gaust at practice: "Controversy seems to follow me. I don't go with the flow."

marquee name continues to be Willie Gault, who was attracted to the bobsled by the speed.

"That speed is great; you're going 90 miles an hour" (145 kph), he said. "There's a risk factor, but it's nowhere near as great as in football. When I first started doing it, I was told that a lot of Gs [gravity] would pull you down in one curve and they did. But now it's more of a back-and-forth ride. When I first started, I took a look at where we were going, but now I know the turns so I just stay hunched over." Speed has been Gault's life. As a sprinter he

made the 1980 Olympic team that boycotted the Moscow Summer Games that year. But as a pro football player, he was ineligible for the 1984 Olympic track team. To fulfill his Olympic ambition, last winter he joined the bobsled team.

"The first guy I called was Renaldo Nehemiah," he said referring to the hundles who at it held a the

be said, referring to the hurdler who still holds the world record at 110 meters. "I told him that with him driving and me pushing, nobody would beat us. But he wasn't interested. I couldn't run in the Olympics, so I decided to try the bobsleds a year ago after the football season ended. I went to Lake Placid," in New York, "and passed the fitness test in one day — the shot-put, the long jump, the five hops, weight lifting, and sprints of 30, 60, 100 and 300 meters."

As a youngster growing up in Griffin, Georgia, Gault seldom saw snow.

"And when it did snow," he said, "I didn't even

have a sled. Nobody there does. But when I started thinking about the Winter Olympics, I knew I couldn't ski or skate or ski jump or play hockey or any of those crazy things, but I knew I could push a

Even if he doesn't rumble down the bobsled run at Olympic Park, he'll be satisfied.
"I couldn't go to the Olympics in 1980, but now

I'm here," he said. "Even if I don't get a chance to compete, it's been well worth it. The opening thing about it."

Except when Willie Gault is asked to raise a

nal Iterald Tribun

PARIS - Ireland beat Scotland, then Scotland beat France. And now the man who coaches Wales, Tony Gray, expects France to beat Ireland. He admits, laughing, that this circular sequence looks "rather peculiar." Gray's interest in Saturday's Five Nations rugby match in Paris is heightened by the consideration that Ireland and then France will be Wales's opponents on the fourth and fifth Saturdays, March 5 and 19. He will have to make do with the Paris video, though, being otherwise occupied this weekend in Conlift

otherwise occupied this weekend in Cardiff with his team's match against Scotland. France and Wales have beaten England. Victories for the home teams this week would start to put Europe's rugby pecking order back into familiar shape, and set up a Welsh-French shoot-out for first place on the final day. But Scotland and Ireland are

not yet resigned to mere supporting roles.

There hasn't been much familiar order lately. "It's different from any other season," Gray observed the other day. Training for the mid-1987 World Cup started in mid-1986, which meant that the 1988 Five Nations tournament inherited a destabilizing mix of skill and fatigue. "That's never hap-pened before," said Gray. "Now we've seen improved play by England, but for Scotland it's been up and down. With the French what we've had is the tiredness factor — so far." It has been an extraordinary year and a gland, 37-11, three days later. half. Tours in the second half of 1986 took Derek Wyatt, who scored Wales to Fiji, Tonga and Western Samoa;

FIVE NATIONS RUGBY

A 'Peculiar' Season Results in Turbulence

Home team victories this week would start to put the pecking order back into familiar shape, and set up a Welsh-French shoot-out the last day. But Scotland and Ireland are not yet resigned to mere supporting roles.

Japan to the United States and Canada; Italy and Argentina to Australia; France to Argentina, Australia and New Zealand; Australia to New Zealand; Japan to Scot-land and England; New Zealand to France. Next the French won a Five Nations grand slam (four victories), then 16 squads were involved in rugby's first World Cup, held in New Zealand and Australia in May and June. (The next one is due in 1991 in Europe.) The top finishers, in order: New

Zealand, France, Wales and Australia. Touring resumed, with New Zealand going to Australia, the United States to Wales,

and Australia to Argentina.

The Americans had planned to beat England at the World Cup and Wales in Cardiff, but did neither. American rugby has stagnated, in international terms, in the decade since a U.S. tour of England in October 1977, which ended with a victory against Cambridge University and a defeat by En-

Derek Wyatt, who scored four of England's six tries that day, has become a

rugby establishment. He is now too busy as a London publishing executive to continue club coaching in suburban Richmond, but he

was at the National Football League's Super-Bowl in San Diego three weeks ago and said. "It was boring after the second quarter."

What, he was asked this week, might American football have to teach the British? "Marketing," Wyatt replied, "There were 200,000 copies of the Super Bowl program sold in Britain. The Five Nations tournament doesn't even have an overall sponsor."

ties at the stadium, better use of close-ups and replay - is another thing Wyatt would

zine's Feb. 13 issue: "After painfully reading your leader, may I beg you not to write about the game again?")

When McGill played Harvard in 1874, the game was rugby. But before the 1880s were out, the hooker in America had become a center, the props were guards, the locks were tackles, the flankers were ends. By the middle of the present century, the lateral pass was a rarity in American football.

Another difference, as Wyatt emphasized. is that rugby can seriously stage a world championship but American football can't.

And so it happens that the old Five Nations serial (first played in full in 1910) is in a post-World Cup turbulence phase - much shuffling about of players; exaggerated team hopes built up and dashed in the space of a few weeks; threats to stars to look young again or prepare to be scrapped; coaches experimenting with new styles.

The biggest of Europe's current stars is ment doesn't even have an overall sponsor." Serge Blanco, 29, a fullback who first played American television coverage — number for France in 1980 in South Africa and still and location of cameras, transmission facili-wins popularity polls in Paris. But every international match is a test -especially for veterans when the team is doing poorly.

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For Wales, fullback Paul Thorburn, a What else? He couldn't think of anything goalkicking specialist, was dropped but is what else? He couldn't think of anything goalkicking specialist, was dropped but is execpt intensive specialized coaching for the various positions. Adopt the forward pass, as proposed recently by The Economist? "Ridiculous! It wouldn't be rugby anymore."

(In similar vein, this letter, signed D. Wadsworth and published in the newsmaga-ing, may have avoided the tiredness factor.

Bird's Nose Is Broken

The Associated Press

DENVER — Larry Bird's nose has been broken and the Boston Celtics beaten, both to a large ex-tent by Blair Rasmussen.

The 7-foot (2.1-meter) center-for-ward scored 34 points, 9 more than his previous high in the National Basketball Association, as the Denver Nuggets defeated the Celtics, 138-125, Wednesday night. That gave the Nuggets a two-game season series sweep of Boston for the first time in their 11-year history.

The Nuggets outscored the Celtics, 37-24, in the second period to take the lead for good. In that quarter, Rasmussen scored 10 points in an 18-4 spurt and collided with Bird, breaking the Celtic star's nose. Bird, averaging 39.2 points since

the all-star game, played sparingly thereafter and scored 13 points. "He was driving and I just got in front of him," Rasurussen said. "I felt I got my arms up straight and I felt his face hit my elbow. I thought it was

the right call, but when it's a situation like that you've got a 50-50 chance." "Larry got a broken nose and he was called for an offensive foul," said his coach, K.C. Jones. "When you run into an elbow and get the foul on

you, you gotta wonder. The refs' calls and the way we mishandled the ball, we should have lost by 40 points." The Nuggets made 74 percent of their 43 shots in the middle two quarters and equaled an NBA sea-son-high with 48 points in the third, which ended with them up, 111-90.



John Johnson of Virginia set off a chain reaction by charging into Billy King in an Atlantic Coast Conference game Wednesday night. No. 6 Duke won, 73-54, for its 11th straight victory over the not excited about the way the game Cavaliers since 1983, as Danny Ferry scored 28 points, getting 12 of the Blue Demons' first 14. went."

Gretzky Ties Assist Record

The Associated Press

EDMONTON, Alberta Wayne Gretzky has tied the Na-tional Hockey League record for assists, although it nearly cost his team, the Edmonton Oilers, a rare defeat at home.

Gretzky, who has been piling up offensive records for years, got his second assist of Wednesday night's game with just 26 seconds left in regulation. It gave the Oilers a 4-4 tie with the Toronto Maple Leafs —no one scored in overtime —and enabled Gretzky to catch Gordie Howe.

Howe, playing in 1,767 games, had 1,049 assists. Gretzky's two against the Maple Leafs gave him 1,049, but in just 678 games. Gretzky started this season third

on the assist list and, although he missed 13 games with a knee injury, has 82 this season.

Trailing by 2-0 after two periods, the Leafs battled back to take a 4-3

lead in the third before Mark Messier scored with 26 seconds left in regulation. The Oilers, guilty of overpassing and turnovers all game, had tried mostly in vain to convert Gretzky passes into goals. His linemates, especially Esa Tikkanen, missed many chances to score after taking set-up passes from Gretzky.

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Gooden Loses At Arbitration

The Associated Press

NEW YORK - Pitcher Dwight Gooden lost his arbitration bid Thursday for a \$1.65 million salary, the New York Mets said, and will be paid the \$1.4 million the baseball team offered. Gooden, who missed two months of last season while in rehabilitation for cocaine abuse, had sought a \$150,000 raise but got a cut of \$100,000.

That decision widened the club owners' edge in this year's salary arbitrations, to 10 victories in 14 cases.

George Bell, the American League's most valuable player last year, avoided the trend by coming to terms Wednesday with the Toronto Blue Jays in the room where their arbitration case was to have been held. Bell left with a two-year contract for a guaranteed \$4.1 million.

In Wednesday's arbitrations, Gary Redus of the Chicago White Sox and Mark Gubicza of the Kansas City Royals woo, Chris Brown of the San Diego Padres lost. Met reliever Roger McDowell agreed to a one-year part for \$615,000 after reassessing his position. Tony Gwynn's contract with the Padres was renegotiated. He will get \$1.09 million this year instead of \$840,000, and

\$1.19 million in 1989 instead of \$940,000.

Pro Golf Pressed to Make Radical Changes

The Associated Press

NEW YORK -- Jack Nicklaus warns of the likelihood of a rival "super circuit" being formed. Greg Norman calls for the creation of a world tour. And, the PGA Tour, as a result, is conducting a study that could drastically alter the structure of professional golf.

"Right now, we have only questions, no answers," the PGA commissioner, Deane Beman, said recently of a wide-ranging study into "the risks and rewards" of revising the the basic structure" of the PGA Tour.

The split-tour concept has been the subject of previous lengthy studies and discussions. It was proposed, and rejected by the players, in both 1979 and 1982. This time, however, the study was prompted by their responses to a questionnaire circulated by PGA officials. The earlier proposals included that of a

tour split into three sections, one made up of 8 to 10 special events such as the Masters, It to lu special events such as the Masters, U.S. Open, PGA Championship, Tournament of Champions, Players Championship and World Series of Golf, the others each containing half the remaining tournaments. The tour players would have been split into two groups, half playing one section and half the other, with all those eligible from each certific coming together in the special events. section coming together in the special events.

It was this type of split that brought an objection from Tom Watson, who said, "I don't want to be in the position where I can be told where I'm going to play and where I'm not going to play."

Lee Trevino, calling it "a good idea" that "won't work," said "the sponsors won't go for it. The tournaments that don't get all the good players will be for it. The ones that get the good players will be against it. You'll never get 'em to agree to it. And what would TV do?"
"The networks would be competing

Robert Willets/The Associated Press

against each other," said Frank Chirkinian, producer of CBS golf coverage. "Personally, I don't like it. It can only water down the product... I'd be afraid of over-exposure."

But there is no indication that a split along those lines will be recommended this time, although this study is not complete. Howev-er, it could recommend the formation of leagues, as in major league baseball, or of a major league and a minor league, or of an

elite, super tour and the regular tour.
The objective of the split tour in '79 and '82 was to increase prize money and take the tour to new markets," Beman said. "We've done that without the split tour.

"If the objective this time is to make a place for more people to play, maybe the answer is to start a second tour and subsidize it like we did before," he said, referring to the nowdefunct Tournament Players Series for those

who did not qualify for the regular tour.

Beman said he anticipated "a general discussion" at a March meeting of the PGA Tour policy board. At another meeting, in May, we may have some preliminary thoughts," he said. But, he cautioned, any actual revision of the tour may be some time away.

Said Nicklaus, "Unfortunately, I think the tour is very ripe right now to have a rival."

"If the PGA Tour is not smart enough to start another tour, give another place for our players to play, another place for our fellows to win, then somebody is going to come along, some corporate sponsor is going to

come along and say, Hey, why do you guys want to go through this aggravation? I can take the top 20 players, put on 10 or 12 tournaments, play for \$1 million a week, guarantee you guys a quarter-million to play that tour, in the world and why do you want to put up with the PGA Tour? He added that "we have the ability in this

country — the amount of money we're playing for, the depth we have to play with — to have two or three tours. I think we need it badly. "And I really hope the PGA Tour ends up doing it themselves. That's where it really should come from."

Norman, the Australian star, said: "I'd like to see a world tour. I'd like to see maybe 15 tournaments in the States, five to eight in Europe, five in Japan, three to five in Austra-lia. The players just go on the road and give everybody around the world a chance to see them all. "Of course, the PGA in every country, not

just the States, is concerned with its tour. So I guess it's kind of a catch-22 situation. "But golf is such an international sport such a popular sport, I'd like to see it happen.'

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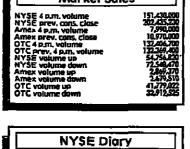
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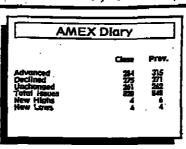
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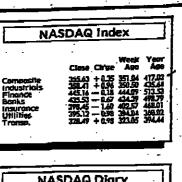


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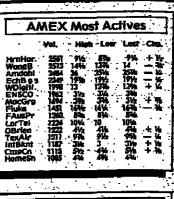
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NYSE Drops in Profit-Taking

Declines led advances by about an 8-7 ratio. Volume totaled 151.43 million shares, down from 176.83 million in the previous session. Prices were lower in moderate trading of American Stock Exchange issues.

"Them market had been doing a dance of death all day around the 2,000 level," said Al Goldman, market strategist with A.G. Edwards & Sons in St. Louis. "There was no conviction and no momentum. And then the Ford earnings came out, and that increased the discomfort

Ford Motor Co. reported earnings of more than \$4.62 billion for 1987, up 41 percent from \$3.28 billion in 1986. On a per-share basis, Ford earned \$9.05 a share in 1987, compared with \$6.16 in 1986, reflecting a two-for-one stock

Goldman said, the market viewed the final results as "modestly below expectations," Ford closed down 2% to 42%.

Mr. Goldman said. "There was no waterfall. And the short-term bulls are not running up the

flag. But it does indicate that the recent rally was technically weak and was vulnerable to bad

The Dow has added more than 100 points since Feb. 9, and on Tuesday regained the 2,000 level for the first time since Jan. 7, when it

Hewlett-Packard was a standout gainer

By contrast, Ford Motor fell 21/4 to 421/4. The

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United Press Interna NEW YORK — Prices on the New York Stock Exchange retreated Thursday in moder-

ate trading, dragged down by profit-taking and a lack of buying interest.

The Dow Jones industrial average, which shed 4.98 points on Wednesday, fell another 14.58 points Thursday to 10 1,986.41.

Declines led advances by about an 8.7 ratio.

split distributed last month. Despite Ford's record performance, Mr.

The Ford results "brought in some natural selling that was followed by some programs,"

"There is some nervousness in the market about the possibility of some consolidation," said Chester Pado, director of technical re-search at Jefferies & Co. in Los Angeles. "There has been a big run over the past seven days without a correction.

closed at 2,051.89.

"The light volume indicates that portfolio managers don't want to chase stocks," Mr. Pado said. "But the institutions are sounding a little more bullish. But in the short rum, everybody does feel it has been a little overdone."

He said that the market still suffered from a lack of leadership and that the letup in takeover activity "has probably taken the edge off the run a little bit.

among the blue-chip and technology issues, rising 2 to 59½. The company reported earnings for its fiscal quarter ended Jan. 31 of 71 cents a share, up from 45 cents in the comparable period a year earlier.

company reported fourth-quarter earnings of \$1.87 a share, up from \$1.50 in the last quarter

The NYSE's composite index of all its listed common stocks dropped .58 to 145.14.

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Publishing Stocks Catch Pearson's Merger Fever

By VARTANIC G. VARTAN

New York Times Service

EW YORK — Takeover fever struck the dwindling band of independent book publishers after Monday's amouncement that Pearson PLC, a British conglomerate, would acquire Addison-Wesley Publishing Co. for \$283 million. "The British are coming!" said Bert L. Boksen, a publishing industry analyst for Raymond James & Associates in St. Petersburg, Florida.

Petersburg, Florida.

Kevin Gruneich of First Boston Corp. said, "This marks the first marks a direct acquisition of

time we have seen a foreign publisher make a direct acquisition of an elementary-high school textbook publisher in the United States. In the past, some observers thought that would not happen reasoning that state education committees and local school boards would raise objections. This move by Pear-

Textbook son shoots a hole in that the-The purchase is the largest publishers are of a series of moves by Pearson since Rupert Murdoch, particularly the Australian-born publishsusceptible. ing magnate, bought a major

Addison-Wesley's stock closed Friday in over-the-counter trading at \$54.50, having risen \$5.50 a share last week after the company reported that earnings rose to \$3.68 a share in 1987 from \$3.12 the previous year.

Pearson, a diversified publishing, banking and industrial group that owns the Financial Times, agreed to pay \$105 a share for the Reading, Massachusetts, company, which also publishes college textbooks. Addison-Wesley's stock responded Tuesday by soaring \$46.50 a share, to \$101. Its previous high of \$61.25 was set last

ing \$46.50 a share, to \$101. Its previous high of \$61.25 was set last October just before the big market collapse. Shares of three other publishers with a stake in textbooks also made healthy advances on Tuesday. Macmillan Inc. rose \$3.25, to \$62.50, after selling for as high as \$64.75 a share on the New York Stock Exchange, but dropped back \$1.625 on Wednesday to \$60.875. It had moved ahead \$4.375 last week. Houghton Mifflin Co. gained \$3:875, to \$31.875, on Tuesday, then lost 50 cents on Wednesday, finishing at \$31.375. In the over-the-counter market, John Wiley & Sons Inc. jumped \$9 on Tuesday, to \$36.50 bid.

CGRAW-HILL INC. was the hottest publishing speculation in the market last week, when its stock jumped \$10.125, to \$58.50, on conjecture that Robert Maxwell,

LV. \$10.125, to \$58.50, on conjecture that Robert Maxwell, the British publisher, might bid for it. But the stock fell \$2.125, to \$56.375, on Tuesday when Mr. Maxwell, speaking at a news conference for his forthcoming biography, ruled out a run. It dropped another \$1.75 on Wednesday, to \$54.625.

However, Mr. Maxwell said he was prepared to acquire an American publisher "at any minute." This comment evidently led traders to believe that Houghton Mifflin could be the next target. "Houghton Mifflin has been the sleeper in the publishing group as far as takeover talk goes," Mr. Boksen of Raymond "James said. "Most speculation has centered on McGraw-Hill and on Macmillan." on Macmillan?

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Mr. Boksen pointed out that, among publishers that remain independent, Macmillan is closest in size to Harcourt Brace Jovanovich. Harcourt was the object of an unfriendly takeover attempt by Mr. Maxwell last year, and though it cluded him, it was forced to undergo a costly restructuring.

The American book industry has seen a wave of consolidation.

in recent years. Gulf & Western Inc. acquired Prentice-Hall Inc. Bertelsmann AG, the West German publisher, acquired Doubleday & Co. Among other deals, Mr. Murdoch snapped up Harper & Row Publishers last year.

Now the emphasis appears to center on textbook publishers, tary-high school levels and because the high cost of developing a curriculum presents a barrier to entry for any newcomer.

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Ferruzzi Wins Unit Of Lesieur

Expands Base In French Market

By Jacques Neher

PARIS — Gruppo Ferruzzi, Italy's agribusiness giant, extended its operations in France on Thursday winning in its attempt to wrest e Lesieur edible oils business

from Saint Louis-Bouchon. Ferruzzi, which in 1981 took control of Beghin-Say SA, France's largest sugar group, will acquire Lesieur Corps Gras for 1.5 billion to 1.7 billion French francs (\$260 million to \$295 million) through Beghin-Say.
The edible oils business account-

ed for 5.48 billion francs of Lesieur's sales in 1986 and now represents about 90 percent of its revenue. The company has about 45 percent of the brand-name vegetable-oil market in France and 27

Saint Louis-Bouchon, a major sugar company, took control of Lesieur in late 1986, declaring its intentions to develop in the agri-food

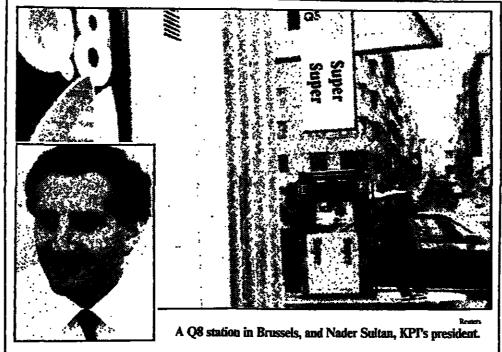
But Ferruzzi began buying shares in Saint Louis in the fall. Bernard Dumon, chairman of Saint Louis-Bouchon, said Ferruzzi's purchase of 13.78 percent of its stock put it on the defensive. When Ferruzzi proposed acquiring Le-sieur's core business earlier this nonth, Mr. Dumon said, there was little choice but to negotiate.

Analysts say Ferruzzi apparently was not interested in a takeover of Saint Louis, but wanted to use that stake to pressure the company to sell Lesieur's oil business.

"We were attacked by someone very powerful," Mr. Dumon said. "It was better to sever an arm than

The sale agreement calls for Ferruzzi to reduce its stake in Saint Louis to less than 10 percent, with Banque Worms getting "a portion" of the shares. Banque Worms last December spent 750 million francs on new shares of Saint Louis to help fend off Ferruzzi.

"Personally, this is a failure," Mr. Dumon said. "It's the end of my agni-food dream, for now."



Kuwaiti Oil Unit Glides Downstream

Retail Mooring in Europe Ensures Outlets for Its Crude

By Warren Getler

International Herald Tribunc
LONDON — Nader Sultan, president of Kuwait Petroleum International Ltd., likes to twirl a string of good-luck beads when discussing his

company's prospects.

Be it the result of bead-twirling or careful management, the marketing arm of state-run Kuwait Petroleum Corp. has captured a sizable share of the West European business over the past five years, at what many in the industry would call

By the company's own estimates, it commands about a 5 percent share of the European oil retailing market, including a 22 percent share in Denmark and a 12 percent niche in Sweden. It holds a market share of 2.4 percent in Britain, 3 percent in the Netherlands and 4 percent in Italy.

"It has been an important aspect of our strategy to fill vacuums left by others leaving the market, Mr. Sultan said Thursday, "as opposed to fighting for market share."

The executive said earlier that he believed KPI had "enough of the market now in Europe, except for in the U.K., Holland and probably Italy, where we plan to expand further through acquisitions." KPI would like to double the volume of its refining and retailing operations outside Kuwait from 250,000 barrels a day to 500,000, but Mr. Sultan said the company is "not aware of that

many good quality opportunities." Downstream assets of oil companies are going for high prices because margins have improved, he said, and new prospective buyers have emerged in

"If I had to list our priorities," he said, "they

would be the Far East, particularly Southeast Asia, then the United States and Europe."

But it was in Europe that the Kuwaiti company, operating under the brand name O8, muscled its vay into the traditional territory of the oil giants. In March 1983, Kuwait Petroleum Corp. acquired Gulf Oil Co.'s refining and marketing inter-ests in the Netherlands, Belgium and Luxembourg, including a refinery in Rotterdam that processes 75,000 barrels a day.

Later that year, as part of the accord with Gulf, it snatched up Gull's downstream operations in Sweden and Denmark, including a 60,000-barrela-day refinery at Gulfhaven in Denmark. The following year, Gulf's Italian operations also came under Kuwaiti control.

Peter Nicol, an oil analyst with Chase Manhattan Securities in London, said, "I think Kuwait Petroleum has been very responsible in Europe.

The fear was when they bought the Gulf refining assets that they would flood the European market with refined products," he said, "But they have not acted to undermine the market at all." Generally, Kuwait Petroleum pursued strategic footholds throughout Europe in a fashion similar to that of other major oil companies, avoiding an erratic, piecemeal approach to acquisitions, ana-

"They've gone for five to 10 market shares in countries where they see long-term profitable niches," Mr. Nicol said.

"In many ways," after Gulf Oil was taken over by Chevron Corp. in 1985, "KPC became the seventh sister" among the major oil companies, he added. The giants, led by Exxon Corp., include

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Ford Profit Rises By 41% to Top **GM's for 2d Year**

ompiled by Our Stuff From Dispate DETROIT - Ford Motor Co. reported Thursday that its net profand 19 percent in the fourth quat-ter as the No. 2 automaker ou-tearned General Motors Corp. for the second consecutive year.

For all of 1987, Ford's net profit climbed to a record \$4.6 billion, or \$9.05 a share, from \$3.29 billion, or

\$6.16 a share, in 1986. It said its sales climbed 14 per-cent, to \$71.6 billion from \$62.7

For the final three months of 1987. Ford said that earnings climbed to a record \$932 million, or \$1.87 a share, from \$785 million, or \$1.50 a share, in 1986.

The figures reflect a two-for-one stock split distributed last month. Sales advanced 16 percent to \$18.8 billion in the fourth quarter, from \$16.26 billion in the comparable quarter of 1986.

Despite Ford's improved performance, analysis said the results were below expectations. Ford's stock fell \$2,375 a share to close at \$42.125 on the New York Stock

Al Goldman, a market strategist with A.G. Edwards & Sons in St. Louis, said that Ford's earnings were a factor in the stock market's decline Thursday. Some analysts had predicted the automaker's earnings for last year at up to \$4.9

The profit nonetheless topped the \$3.55 billion earnings at GM, which reported its 1987 results Tuesday, But with 1987 revenue of \$101.78 billion, GM remains the world's No. 1 automaker. Profits on Ford's U.S. operations

rose 40 percent to \$3.44 billion, reflecting higher shares of the car and truck markets and improved efficiency, the company said.

Total car sales in the United States rose 3 percent to 2.17 million

units from 2.09 million in 1986. its U.S. truck sales rose 5 percent, to 1.48 million units from 1.4 million. Partly offsetting the results

Plant Workers In U.K. Vote To End Strike

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispo LONDON — Striking workers at Ford Motor Co.'s British plants voted overwhelmingly Thursday to end an 11-day strike and accept a two-year pay package, union officials and a Ford spokes-

man said. They said that production would resume Monday. The Ford spokesman said unofficial results made available to the company showed that 70 percent of the 32,500 manual workers at the 22 plants voted to accept the pay package.

The strike, Ford's first in Britain in a decade, began Feb. 8 over a planned restructuring aimed at improving ef-

ficiency.

The walkout prompted the layoffs of more than 9,700 workers and disrupted production at the automaker's plants at Genk, Belgium and elsewhere in Europe. (Reuters, UPI)

Lincoln Continental, said Ford's chairman, Donald E. Petersen,

Outside the United States, Ford's earnings rose 44 percent to \$1.18 billion. Higher profits in Europe and Asia were partly offset by weak economic conditions in Latin America, Mr. Petersen said.

The earnings report was favorable news to Ford workers, who will receive record profit-sharing payouts on March 8. GM workers received no share of 1986 or 1987 profits because the company's U.S. auto earnings were too low.

Ford will release profit-sharing details on Friday.

Earnings fell slightly to \$1.3 bilwere higher marketing expenses lion, or \$5.90 a share, in 1987 for and the cost of introducing new Chrysler Corp., the No. 3 Ameriproducts such as the front-drive can automaker. (Reuters, AP, UPI)

Midland Posts '87 Loss **After Provision for Debt**

By Warren Getler

LONDON — Midland Bank PLC said Thursday that it had a loss of £505 million (\$885.5 miltion) for 1987, the result of a £1.02 billion charge for provisions for bad and doubtful loans to Third World countries.

It was believed to be the first annual loss posted by a big British commercial bank in this century, according to some bank analysts. Midland posted a pretax profit of £434 million in 1986.

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Its chairman, Sir Kit McMahon, also sought to emphasize that without the exceptional charge, the bank would have posted a £511 million profit, up 18 percent from

Sir Kit said he did not foresee any major deterioration in the abil-ity of developing countries to serrice their debt. In a statement Midland said that the 1987 results "reflect a substantial start to what will be a three-year program of strengthening modernizing and positioning the group."

Midland's stock fell 10 pence a

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share to close at 398 pence.

exposure to bad debt as a result of its 1980 merger with Crocker National Bank Corp. of California. Midland sold Crocker to Wells Fargo & Co. of San Francisco in 1986.

Last year, Midland boosted its reserves to 29 percent of total exposure to bad or doubtful loans, from

27.5 percent in 1986.
Following the lead of Citicorp, the parent of the largest U.S. bank, most British banks moved last summer to raise debt reserves to a level approximating about 30 percent of exposure to such loans. Previous levels ranged from 10 to 20 percent. National Westminister Bank,

Britain's biggest and most profit-able bank, boosted its debt reserves but is still expected to post substanresult, however, is expected to be lower than NatWest's 1986 pretax profit of £1.01 billion, a British

Barclays Bank PLC, the secondlargest British bank, is also expected to report lower profits after debt provisions. It earned £895 million

Lloyds Bank PLC is set to post a large pretax loss this year, although the gap is excepted to be smaller than Midland's. Lloyds, which also is heavily exposed to bad Third lion pretax profit in 1986.

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tors Service has lowered its credit ratings for eight of the biggest U.S. banking institutions after revising its valuation of their foreign loans. The action Wednesday came two weeks after another credit ratings service, Standard & Poor's Corp., lowered its estimate of the creditworthiness of five big banking

Among those downgraded by Moody's was J.P. Morgan & Co., which lost its top rating. At the same time, Moody's affirmed its top rating for Morgan's banking unit, Morgan Guaranty Trust Co. Moody's also said it had con-firmed its ratings for three banking companies and was continuing to review its rating on debt from a 12th banking concern, European American Bank Corp.

The ratings help determine interest-rate levels for companies borrowing money in the credit markets ver Corp., BankAmerica Corp.; and apply to securities of various and Irving Trust Co.

plied to about \$34.6 billion in debt. Roger Arner, a senior analyst at Moody's, said the action followed a review initiated in December of a dozen major banking companies and their outstanding loans to Third World countries. Mr. Arner said the review indi-

Of 8 U.S. Banking Companies

cated that some banking institutions continued to carry some Third World loans on their books at a higher value than Moody's considered was warranted. "We think their assets are worth

less," Mr. Arner said. "We think banks will continue to need to build their capital." The ratings cuts generally ranged from one to three steps on the agency's 10-step system for investment quality ratings.

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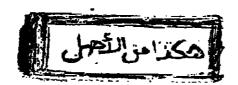
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In May, it acquired the 45 per-The company's stock slipped ! pence for the day, closing at 257 pence a share on the London Stock cent of Standard Oil that it did not already own. Then in October it raised £1.45 billion from the sale of new shares, which was combined with the government's privatiza-tion of its remaining 31.7 percent

The company, which trails only Exxon Corp. and Royal-Dutch Shell Group in size among oil companies, said it would benefit in

Goodrich Profit Rose 57% in Final '87 Period

United Press International AKRON, Ohio - B.F. Goodrich Co. said Thursday that profit rose 57 percent to \$20.5 million in its 1987 fourth quarter, from \$13 million in the comparable period in up a stake of around 20 percent in

Sales for the company, which has undergone a restructuring and dropped its tire business, rose 15 supply would continue to exceed percent to \$567.3 million from demand in the short term. It \$491.3 million. In the full year, blamed the failure of the Organiza-

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ICI says the new system could prove considerably cheaper and more durable than existing magnetic media. Applications of the new product, called digital paper, cover the computer industry and the audio and video industries, the company said.

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The new product is a polymer optical recording medium coated onto a polyester base, which makes possible the storage of an unprecedented volume of data, the company said.

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By comparison, Plessey carned £45.1 million in the year-earlier quarter. Revenue fell 17 percent, to £280.8 million from £337.9 million.

Plessey said that earnings fell for the nine months ended Jan. 31, partly because of slug-gish semiconductor sales and lower deliveries of its System X telephone exchange. Operating profit fell 27 per-

cent from a year earlier to £87.1 million from £119.9 mil-

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It did not detail 1987 profits, but said results were in line with 1986, when the group earned 1.77 billion

Foreign sales reached 39.10 bil-lion DM, up 3.8 percent from 37.66 billion in 1986, and domestic sales edged up to 27.90 billion DM, from 27.84 billion.

"The further appreciation of the Deutsche mark was a significant burden on the price competitive-ness of our exports, especially in dollar-denominated markets," the company said in a report to its stockholders.

Daimler, the maker of the luxury Mercedes automobile, said revenue for private cars was almost unchanged in 1987, at 31.5 billion DM compared with 31.41 billion in 1986. Sales of commercial vehicles

Groupe Bruxelles Lambert SA and

France's Union des Assurances de

After the breakdown of negotia-

tions last week, "GBL is complete-

There had been widespread spec-

two big players left - Suez and the

Belgians on the one side and de

Allegis Pursues

Talks on Covia

CHICAGO - Allegis Corp., the parent of United

Airlines, said Thursday that

the possible sale of a stake in

its Covia reservation system

could bring in about \$350 mil-

Allegis is negotiating with four European airlines — Brit-ish Airways, KLM Royal Dutch Airlines, Swissair and

Alitalia of Italy — concerning the sale of up to 35 percent of Covia, said Matt Gonring, a

company spokesman. Allegis is also discussing with third

parties, which include one or

more of those airlines, sale of

up to another 15 percent of

Covia, he said.

other," one source said.

advantage to the Suez camp."

sources said that a consortium of ulation that the French investment

Belgian companies was still closely bank Paribas, a traditional rival of

allied with Suez in the battle de- Suez's and linked to GBL through

spite the failure last week of all its associated companies, was playing

trolled 52 percent of Générale's Benedetti and his friends on the

23.7 percent decline in sales at its aerospace and medical technology subsidiary. Dornier GmbH. Dornier reported sales of 1.63 billion DM. compared with 2.11 billion in 1002. However, sales were up almost 4

rose 8 percent, however, to 19.20 billion DM from 17.76 billion.

In the United States, sales of the

Mercedes fell 9 percent, to 90,000

cars. But sales to Japan, which has

become Daimler's second most im-

portant foreign market for top-

range S-class cars, rose 36 percent

Total production of cars was

598,079 units, compared with 594,080 in 1986, and production of

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Daimler also said the strong United States

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percent at group's electronics subsidiary AEG AG, to 11.50 billion DM from 11.07 billion. Sales at the engine maker MTU, Daimler's other main unit, rose 2.5 percent, to 2.84 billion DM from 2.77 billion.

Daimler said parent company sales rose about 1.7 percent in 1987, to 41.3 billion DM from 40.59 billion. Of that total, domestic sales accounted for 19.67 billion let inc. 45.5 and 1987 results not available. DM, almost unchanged from 19.63 billion in 1986, and foreign sales advanced 3.3 percent to 21.67 billion DM, from 20.97 billion.

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Daimler said investments last Oper Shore... 1285 228 221 Belge, the Belgian insurance com-pany, has sold its 3.75 percent stake in the takeover target Societé Gén-erale that would have prevented said she was unable to confirm the Daimier sain investments last oper shore.

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Group spending in Daimler's research and development department increased by 10 percent to Net Inc. 245 around 4 billion DM.

CLUTTER: Ads! Ads! Ads! Ads!

(Continued from Page 1) brand, the alternative media may

not be as effective." For that reason, such advertisers as Apple Computer prefer "mediadomination" strategies in tradi-Together with French friends such as Compagnie Générale d'E-lectricité SA and the Lazard Frères But the sources, who requested anonymity, said that Paribas was no longer involved. "There are only tional outlets as a way to beat clutter. With this idea, one sponsor buys all the ad pages in a magazine or all the airtime on a television

> "We're always interested in alternative media, but there's no guarantee they'll be successful for us," said Bruce Mowery, director of marketing communications for Apple. "We're not in the basic brand awareness game. This is a considered purchase item, and it requires a lot of information. Advertising on the backs of ski lifts may be appropriate for some impulse cate-

not for Apple con Marketers are also aware that esse untraditional ad outlets can the bars drink heavily and are not these untraditional ad outlets can boomerang if they are too intrusive. Communities have passed laws to restrict advertising that they feel defaces the scenery or oth-

Italian Factory Output

ROME - Italian industrial production rose by 3.9 percent last year over 1986, when it grew 2.8 percent, the National Statistics In-

The paper industry grew the most, with output up 8 percent, while auto output rose 3.5 percent. Clothing production declined 6.7

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In general, though, consumers have been rather passive. For example, of the 45,000 passengers who have flown on five TWA jets on which Stallwords were tested. only six have complained. But Mr. Quelch warned, "the more intrusive the medium, the more likely there will be complaints."

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Even if alternative media stop short of provoking outrage or joliing the consumer's sense of priva-cy, it may be that they are inferior settings for pitching products, as

Marian Dipoala can attest.
Intrigued by the concept, Ms.
Dipoala paid \$450 for three months of space in Stallwords' restrooms, at bars and clubs within a five-mile (eight-kilometer) radius gories like breath mints, but certanning salon. She would not do it

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KUWAIT: Downstream Purchases in Europe Give Oil Company an Edge

(Continued from first finance page) the downstream assets of Hays Pe- eral OPEC stalwarts, led by Saudi lished refining or marketing outlets

David M. Gray, a senior oil analyst with the London brokers James Capel & Co., said that Kuwait, Venezuela and possibly Saudi Arabia recently discovered what major oil companies learned in the 1950s and 1960s: "If you have a lot of oil and you want to be sure you can sell all of it, you want to be as close to the final consumer as possible."

By selling the bulk of its crude oil exports at official OPEC prices to KPI, which in turn sells refined products at below-market prices, Knwait avoids discounting its crude price and incurring the wrath of its competitors in the cartel.

Its 1983 purchase of Gulf Oil's European downstream assets originally was proposed by the U.S. company at a private meeting during an 1981 conference of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries in Vienna. Gulf sounded out other OPEC members as well, but Kuwait was the only taker after

"At the time, we were afraid we didn't have enough physical resources and bodies" to manage Guill's affair and bodies to manage to refine all of its OPFC. Gulf's refining and marketing op-erations, Mr. Sultan said. Today, KPI employs 30 professionals in London, most of them Europeans, to run the operations.

Kuwait Petroleum has never said what it paid for the Gulf assets, arguing that it was bound to confi-dentiality by the sales agreement. But Mr. Sultan asserted that the company has paid less than \$280 million for all of its oil retining and retailing purchases in Europe since 1983, including the acquisition of

"services" division of the parent company in Kuwait

Royal Detch/Shell Group, British
Petroleum Co., Mobil Oil Co.
Chevron, and Texaco Inc.

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The declines to provide earnings seeking oil refining outlets in Europe. It has moved primarily through joint ventures with established oil corporations rather than obliged to do so because it is a crude.

stake in the company.

Finally, in December it bid for Britoil PLC, a British company with substantial North Sea oil and

gas reserves. BP said Thursday that

it now held 79.8 percent of Britoil

and would extend its £2.5 billion

offer to Feb. 24 from Friday, the

Looking ahead to this year's re-

financial sources said Thursday.

with an 18.6 percent holding.

Mr. de Benedetti, who says that

holdings by loyal companies give

him control of 38 percent, has al-

ready launched a public bid for a

further 15 percent of the Belgian

operating against Mr. de Benedet-

ti's bid for control, because subsid-

jaries of Générale could sell parts

of their operations or bring in so-

called "white knights" to protect

them against a change of owner-ship of their parent.

conglomerate.

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Sources close to the international Texaco, for example, on a proposed unit say that Kuwait's marketing refining joint venture that would

With about 4,650 gas stations and a European refining capacity of about 135,000 barrels a day, KPI holds a competitive marketing position in relation

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Industry sources have said that Saudi Arabia is negotiating with activities have become increasingly produce 600,000 barrels a day in profitable in the past five years. But Texas, Louisiana and Delaware.

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allowing our management here to do nothing other than downstream operations. "Joint ventures require more management time," he said. "They require decisions by consensus, and you're not always going to reach a

consensus among two competi-Asked whether he saw any prospect of a joint venture with BP, Mr.

Sultan said it was not under consid-Industry analysis in London

to domestic consumption, it has have speculated for months that the recent accumulation of nearly a 20 percent stake in BP by the Kuwait Investment Office, the investment arm of Kuwait's Finance Ministry, could lead to pressures on BP for joint ventures in marketing and refining.

Mr. Sultan said the BP stake was production quota" of 996,000 barrels a day, said Mr. Nicol, the Chase Securities analyst.

"This gives them far more flexing anteed outlet for its crude. Refining an stock portfolio.

"BP is too big a fish for anybody simply a long-term investment in

"BP is too big a fish for anybody to digest," Mr. Sultan said.

With the price of crude denominated in a weakened dollar, Kuwait Petroleum International is in a option and are dependent on crude sold Kuwaiti hydrocarbon exports, sales at official OPEC prices."

The oil industry, hit by soft prices, has been focusing for more compared with 35 percent in the late 1970s.

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Coke, Pepsi to Change **EC Pacts on Aspartame**

The Associated Press

BRUSSELS — Coca-Cola Co. and PepsiCo
Inc. must change their contracts with NutraSweet Co. as the exclusive European supplier of
aspartame, an artificial sweetener, because they restricted competition, the European Community's Executive Commission said Thursday.

NutraSweet, an American company, is the world's largest producer of aspartame, a low-calorie sweetener used in soft drinks.

The commission said it acted after receiving complaints in 1986 from two NutraSweet competitors, Angus Fine Chemicals Ltd. of Ireland and Holland Sweetener Co. Angus and Holland Sweetener were then building new plants in Ireland and Holland to compete with Nutra-

Under terms of the agreement, in effect until 1990, NutraSweet retains the right to supply Coca-Cola and PepsiCo with a fixed amount of aspartame but must make room for its competi-

tors, the commission said. Coca-Cola is the largest purchaser of aspartame in the community and PepsiCo the second

3 Executives to Leave Kidder, Start New Firm

Reuters

CHICAGO — Three senior executives of Kidder, Peabody & Co. said Thursday that they would leave to start a new investment banking firm called Vector Securities International Inc.

The new group will initially focus on the health care and life sciences industries.

The three are Theodore Berghorst, former managing director and co-director of Kidder Peabody's corporate finance group in Chicago; James L. Foght, former senior vice president, and Peter F. Drake, former vice president and head of the health care research group.

They said they would be joined by four other Kidder Peabody employees. Kidder has agreed to advise with Vector on certain transactions in the life-science area, they said.

Toshiba, Hitachi, Matsushita Create Superfast Memory Chips

United Press International TOKYO — Toshiba Corp., Hitachi Ltd. and Matsushita Electric Industrial Co. announced Thursday that they had developed separately large capacity 16-megabit dynamic random access memory chips with wide-range application capabilities.

capabilities.

Toshiba said that its researchers had developed an experimental 16-megabit chip that can store information equivalent to 64 pages of newspaper text or 16.8 million bits of information. It has an access time of 70 nanoseconds, or billionths of a second, the company said.

Hitachi said it has developed a 16-megabit chip with an access time of 60 billionths of a second, while Matsushita reported the development of a 16-megabit chip with the smallest known cells. It has an access time of 65 nanoseconds.

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Sells Paris Office

Agence France-Presse

PARIS — Chase Manhattan
Corp. has sold its Paris office for
more than 600 million French francs
(\$104 million), according to sources
close to the buyer. Chase is cutting
back on its activities in Europe.

Officials of the U.S. bank declined Thursday to confirm the sale
figure. Chase had occupied the
building on the elegant Rue Cambon since 1929. It was sold to COPRA, or Constructeurs Professioneis Associes, a property group

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els Associes, a property group owned by major French banks.

Analysts attributed the Chase re-trenchment largely to overexposure in loans to Third World countries.

Last year Chase closed four

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HELSINKI — Kone Oy, the Finnish maker of elevators and materials handing equipment, said Thursday that, its after-tax profit tripled last year to 1562 million markles (\$37.9 million), from 54.7 million in 1986.

Group sales climbed 7.4 percent to 5.5 billion markles (\$1.33 billion), but this was below average annual growth of 16 percent in the preceding 10 years, the company sales Per-share profit for 1987 was 25.83 markles, compared with 9.04 markles in 1986, when group sales were 5.2 billion.

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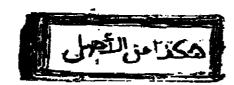
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NEW, YORK.—The dollar closed mostly higher against major foreign currencies on Hansday, reinforced by a statement by the U.S. Treasury secretary that the dollar is now reasonably thined.

Simon Bischer, a foreign exchange trader at Bear Steams & Source: Reasters

Co., said the dollar received strong support in the statement by James A. Beiser St. 7420, compared with \$1,7535.

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Mr. Frischer said traders, encouraged by Mr. Baker's confidence in current trading tangers, began sell-attents at disables began sell-attents.

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The dollar closed in New York at 1.7125 Deutsche marks, up from 1.7020 in Wednesday's close; at 130.25 year slightly higher than 130.15; at 1.4100 Swiss francs, up from 1.4005, and at 5.7860 French francs, up from 5,7520.

and to 1.4065 Swiss francs from It also gained ground against the British pound, which ended at

\$1.7435, down from \$1.7495 on Wednesday. The dollar had fallen earlier on remarks by Japanese officials that Tokyo might have to accept a furancs, up from 5.7520. ther decline in the U.S. currency in it also gained ground against the medium term because of exter-

nations.

The Japanese central bank and government officials said that while Japan was determined to keep exchange rates stable for now, large external imbalances mean the dollar may have to depreciate further in the medium term.
In earlier European trading, the

dollar was fixed in Frankfurt at 1.7049 DM, down from 1.7114 DM on Wednesday, and in Paris at 5.764 French francs, down from

It closed in Zurich at 1.4008 Swiss francs, down from 1.4025. (UPI, Reuters) ■ M-1 Falls \$3.4 Billion M-1, the narrowest measure of

the U.S. money supply, fell \$3.4 billion to a seasonally adjusted \$760.7 billion in the week ended Feb. 8, the Federal Reserve said The previous week's M-1 level was revised to \$764.1 billion from \$767.4 billion, Reuters reported from New York. M-1 includes cash

in circulation and checking ac-

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Central Bank In U.K. Ordered Ready Credit

LONDON -- The Bank of England, alarmed by reports from securities firms that their banks were cutting or refusing to extend credit lines in the weeks after the October stock collapse, ordered the banks to make funds available, industry

sources said Thursday. The Bank of England's actions suggest that London's financial system was at much greater risk during those weeks than had previously been sug-

The sources said that the central bank, working with Loodon Stock Exchange officials, asked firms to provide daily estimates of profits and losses and to monitor how deeply the losses were eating into capital. It asked the firms to name the banks that had cut credit lines, the sources said, and those banks called back

later offering money.

The Bank of England declined to comment,

Japan Prepares for a Further Run-Up in the Yen

TOKYO - Japan is determined to keep exchange rates stable for now, but it may have to accept a further dollar fall in coming months due to continuing large trade imbalances with the United States, according to government

officials and banking executives here.

Although the trade imbalances are improving, their sheer size means that some further depreciation of the dollar may occur later this year, the officials agreed.

For the moment, however, both the government and central bank believe that a stable dollar is necessary to ensure continued smooth growth in the Japanese and world economies. In each of the past three years, the dollar has fallen by an annual 20 percent or so against the yen. None of the officials said they expected to see a drop of that magnitude again this year, although a Bank of Japan official said he ex-

pected to see a decline of around 10 percent.

Based on Thursday's rate of 130 yen to the dollar, a fail of that magnitude would push the U.S. currency to below 120.

Although reluctant to quantify the expected decline, economists agree that the expected

inflation-rate differential between Japan and the United States this year argue for some small decline of the dollar against the yen. The U.S. inflation rate is expected to be about 4.5 percent this year, while Japanese inflation is likely to be about one percent.

A Bank of Japan official said the decline in the dollar this year should be less than 10 percent to give Japanese exporters time to adiust to the loss of competitiveness.

But a larger dollar fall, probably of about 10 percent, may be needed to ensure that U.S. industry retains its recently-acquired competitive edge in world markets, a senior government economist said. That would put the dollar in the 110 to 120 yen level by the end of the year.

One reason the dollar may have to fall to the 120-yen range is that the decline in the U.S. current account deficit will be much smaller than that for merchandise trade, private economists said. The current account measures a nation's trade in financial services as well as in

The drop in the current account deficit will be slower because the U.S. trade in services has

chandise trade deficit must be cut that much more to ensure that the deficit on the current

account keeps shrinking, they noted. Some private economists also question whether the United States has the wherewithal during a presidential election year to cut its government budget deficit and consumer spending enough to significantly reduce the current account deficit.

In their communique at the end of last year, the so-called Group of Seven industrial nations recognised that the dollar would have to remain low to ensure that global external imbalances continue to improve.

Despite the negative impact a strong yen has on export industries, Bank of Japan officials concede that it has also brought many benefits. One official noted that the central bank has been able to take a relatively relaxed monetary stance in recent weeks because the yen's sharp rise at the end of 1987 pushed down inflation.

Jobless Rate Fell in U.K. Last Month to 9.2%

The Associated Press LONDON - Britain's unemployment rate fell to a sea-sonally adjusted 9.2 percent of the work force in January from 9.4 percent the previous month, the Department of La-

bur said Thursday. In January 1987, the figure had been at 11.2 percent. Last month's rate was the lowest since November 1981. when it also stood at 9.2 per-cent. The number of jobless Britons has declined for 18 consecutive months, the de-

partment said. Total unemployment, after seasonal adjustment, was an estimated 2.56 million in January, down from a revised 2.61 million in December and 3.11 million in January 1987.

Dollar's Fall Leads to Rise of Cross Trades

LONDON — The dollar's halving in value since 1985 is leading more bankers and companies to ignore its role as a benchmark dollars," against which other currencies are

So-called "cross-trades", when two nondollar currencies are exchanged, now account for about a quarter of transactions in the world carrency markets, up from just 3 percent in early 1986, dealers say.

One reason is that companies no longer feel they must quote most of their international prices in dollars. Another is that cross-trade rates tend to be more stable. And since the cross-trading market does not move as quickly or

efficiently as the dollar-rate market, there are more chances that dealers can find a profitable trading opportunity that others may DOL SEE.

The dollar's three-year fall, said Steve Dalgleish, chief dealer at Barclays Bank in London, "has forced

they really need." West German companies, for instance, he said "are now more ready to make their invoices in marks rather than in

Continental European banks have led the trend toward cross

The dollar's fall 'has forced companies to look at the currencies they really need.' Steve Dalgleish, Barclays Bank dealer.

trading, but more American and British banks are joining the move-

In Europe, the European Monetary System, which sets ranges "There are more market imperfec-within which eight European cur-tions than with dollar trades and rencies can fluctuate — has kept

"On a bad day, the dollar can move 2 percent," said Ken de La Salle, a senior manager at National Westminster Bank, "In the EMS, a 0.25 percent variation is very rare."

"They are the catalyst for innovation by banks," said Tony Spence, an economist at Mellon Bank in London.

But, despite the relative stability of cross rates, the fluctuations are still great enough so that dealers can make profits on trading.

According to John Lopatin, vicepresident for foreign exchange dealing at Goldman, Sachs & Co. in London, using cross-rates means that traders must take account of economic factors that most of their colleagues may not be considering.

"The cross-rate market represents an area where analysis, uncut into sales. derstanding and information can help in position trading," he said. There are more market imperfecfrom a risk-return point of view,

U.S. Factory Use Unchanged in January

WASHINGTON — U.S. industry operated at 82.2 percent of capacity in January, matching the re-vised December level as the highest operating rate in almost eight years, the government said Thurs-

lay. The Federal Reserve said that further growth in the operating rate was held back last month by cutbacks in steel and automobile production. The Fed previously reported the December rate at 82.1

The last time that U.S. industry operated at a rate higher than 82.2 percent was in March 1980, when capacity usage was at 83.7 percent. Thursday's report was another indication of the continuing strength in export-related U.S. in-

During the 1981-82 recession the operating rate fell below 70 percent. It climbed back to 81.8 percent in August 1984 as the recession ended. However, manufacturers in many industries laid off workers and closed plants in 1985 and 1986 as foreign competition

The Reagan administration began a campaign in 1985 to force the again on overseas markets. That capacity. It was the third consecu-effort began reaping benefits last tive monthly decline after auto ings was also expected.

by 2.4 percentage points for the \$2 percent in October.
year. By contrast, operating rates had fallen 0.9 percentage point in er makers of primary metals

nomic forecast as part of its 1989 budget, is counting on a resurgent manufacturing sector to keep the country out of a recession during

this presidential election year. Treasury Secretary James A. Baker 3d said Thursday that the strength of the U.S. manufacturing sector should offset a slowdown in domestic demand and lead to another year of steady economic

Answering questions at a brief-ing on the 1989 budget, he also said that the administration felt the dollar was reasonably valued now.

Many private economists, how-ever, believe that growth will slow rate at utility companies. considerably, especially during the early part of 1988, as businesses cut back on orders to work down high Consumer Spending levels of inventories.

Economists said the January report on factory use showed that that process had already begun.

year, with the operating rate rising plants reached an operating rate of dropped to 89.6 percent of capaci-

The administration, which on ty, from 91.2 percent in December. Thursday released its latest eco-For all of manufacturing, the operating rate was unchanged at 82.4 percent of capacity. Producers of durable goods. those expected to last at least three

years, saw operating rates decline to an average of 79.9 percent of capacity, 0.1 point below the De-cember level. The rate for makers of nondurable goods rose by 0.1 percentage point to 86.1 percent of The mining industry, which has

had a 0.3 percentage point drop in the operating rate to 80.2 percent of That was offset, however, by a

been burt by declines in oil prices,

rate at utility companies. (AP, Reuters)

Beryl W. Sprinkel, President Ronald Regan's top economic ad-viser, said Thursday that the Octo-ber stock market collapse would The operating rate in the auto result in a slowing this year of U.S. dollar down in an effort to make industry dropped by 1.2 percentage consumer spending, Reuters re-American products competitive points in January to 76.7 percent of ported from Washington. He add-

Report Sees $3.\overline{5}\%$ Fall in Building in U.S.

Reuters NEW YORK -- U.S. construction contracting will de-cline 3.5 percent in 1988 because of a steep fall in office and other commercial con-struction, McGraw-Hill Information Systems Co. said in a report released Thursday.

It also predicted a somewhat gentier fall-off in bousing and public works projects.
The McGraw-Hill unit predicted construction activity would total about \$246.2 billion this year, after \$255.2 bil-lion in 1987. It added that last October's stock collapse is expected to have only a modest impact on construction activity in the months ahead.

The group forecast a 6.7 percent drop in nonresidential building, to \$83.5 billion from \$89.5 billion, paced by a 13.9 percent plunge in office con-struction, to \$19.2 billion from \$22.3 billion.

It predicted a 1.3 percent fall in construction of single-family homes, to \$84.9 billion

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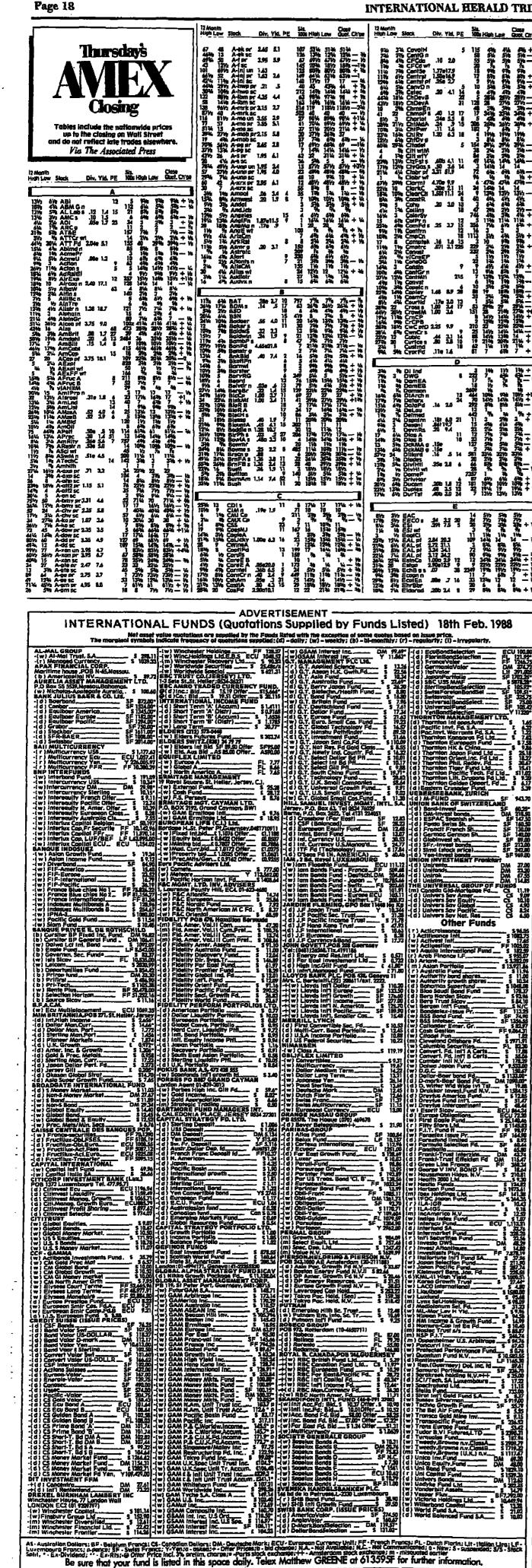
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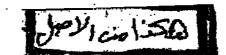
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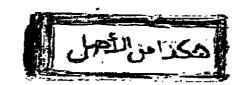
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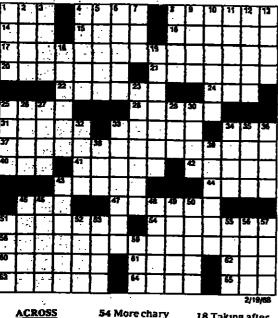
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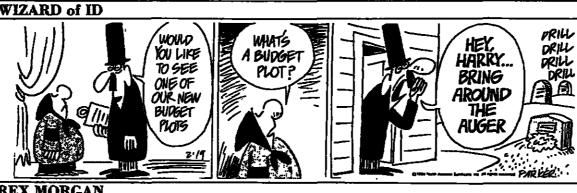




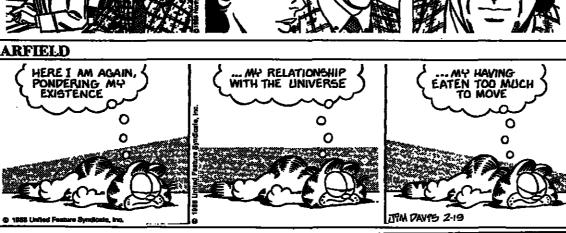












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MUCH DEPENDS ON DINNER:

The Extraordinary History and Mythology, Allure and Obsessions, Perils and Taboos of an Ordinary Meal

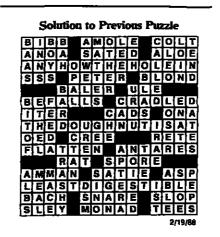
By Margaret Visser. 351 pages. Illustrated. \$19.95. Grove Press, 196 West Houston Street, New York, N. Y. 10014.

Reviewed by John Gross

WE couldn't get through the day if we didn't all have an immense capacity for taking things for granted; but the price of taking too much for granted is stultification and boredom. Margaret Visser, who describes herself as "an anthropologist of everyday life," writes in the belief that "absolutely nothing is intrinsically boring."

About 15 years ago, suddenly struck by how little she knew about the onions she was chop-ping up in the kitchen, Visser set out to learn what she could about them. One foodstuff led to another, and in "Much Depends on Dinner." she presents the results of a self-imposed reading course that has taken her through many different fields, from plant physiology to the history of religion.

To have ranged over food at large would have been to produce a book that was hopeless-ly miscellaneous. Instead, she has had the happy idea of exploring the constituent parts of a single meal, a run-of-the-mill dinner. It repre-



sents, she feels, the least she could reasonably offer to guests who weren't potluck intimates. Certainly there is nothing very fancy about the ingredients. For hors d'oeuvres, cora, with salt and butter, then an entrée of chicken and

rice, followed by a salad (lettuce, olive oil, rice, followed by a salad (lettuce, onve oil, lemon juice) and ice cream.

Plain fare — but it opens up a path to exotic regions and curious speculations. The simple corn cob, for example. It didn't "just grow," and nothing like it exists in uncultivated nature; it is "the crowning achievement of enormous human efforts of will, imagination, foresight, drive, and relentless, obsessive selectivity" — in the first instance, on the part of the Central American Indians who somehow managed to conjure it out of wild grass. how managed to conjure it out of wild grass. But how did they hit on the trick? And what inspired them to plant fish in comfields as a

much-needed form of fertilizer? A pinch of salt sends Visser off on an equally extended journey. She traces the presence of the "edible rock" in Detroit (a quarter of the city is built on "the hollow warrens of a salt mine"), in saliva, in the original idea of a salary, in place names as disparate as Halle and Malaga (the Phoenician word for salt) and

A pat of butter turns out to be heavy with history, too. It carries memories of magic and witchcraft; it provides a link with such strange phenomena as the immense bas-reliefs carved in yak butter that used to be a central feature of the Festival of the Butter Gods in Tibet.
There is much here that makes her uncom-

fortable, and some things of which she plainly disapproves. She is unenthusiastic about uniformity and artificial substitutes. She takes us on a grim tour of modern battery and broiler chicken farming, and reminds us how heavy a price can be exacted by apparent improvements — by irrigation, for example, which frequently destroys the land it waters by

spreading salt at the same time.

But she doesn't preach, and she never loses sight of the fact that modern methods of food production, whatever their drawbacks, give more people what they want and keep more people alive. Her tone is moderate, and she has a nice light touch - never more so than in her concluding chapter, a miniature history of ice Cream.

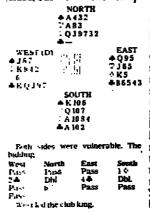
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BRIDGE

By Alan Truscott

Many years ago an in-experienced player was heard to complain: club lead in his hand, throw-"Those experts are so lucky. They always guess right." It had not occurred to him that the experts have a facility for picking up delicate infer-club, and played the ace and ences that lead them to the winning guess. An example is spade lead was won by East the diagramed deal played in 10 reach this position: a regional tournament in Indianapolis, with James Creech of New Castle, Indi-

ana, sitting South. It presents two separate levels of inference. Six diamonds is an optimistic contract but it is hard to avoid once South has opened with one diamond and the oppoclubs. South tried to apply the brakes by doubling four clubs, but North followed up



his previous negative double -a dubious action — with a majestic leap to slam.

South won the opening

ing a heart from the dummy, and ruffed a club. He drew trumps with the help of a NORTH

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East did the best he could

by leading a low heart, and South had to guess. There pointed in the same direcion. West's overcall suggested that he held a high honor somewhere outside the club suit. And East's behavior was significant. If East had held the heart king he could, and presumably would, have un-blocked his spade queen, al-lowing West to win the third round and frustrating the in-tended end-play. East had

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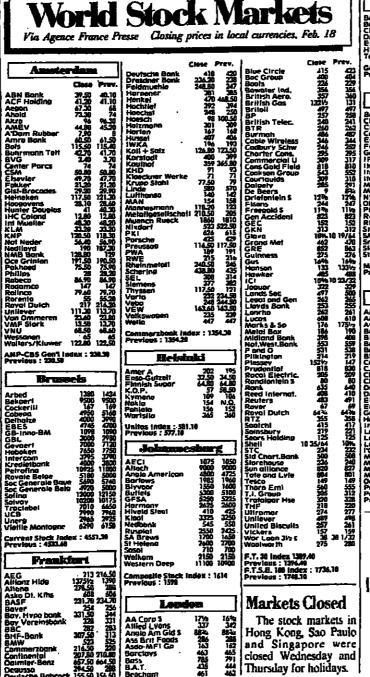
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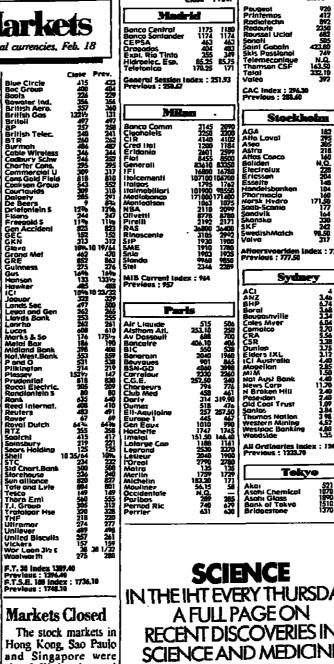


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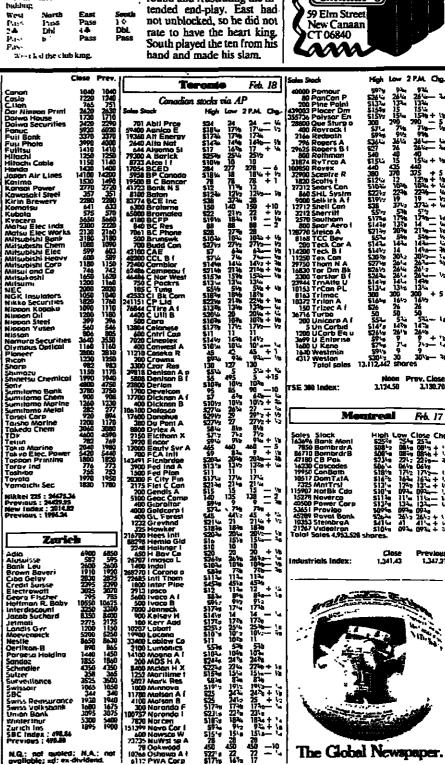




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Campaign Asininity

By Russell Baker

N EW YORK — Bruce Babbitt was by far the most attractive candidate in the whole herd, probably because he never had a chance. Being an attractive candidate ought to be easy when you're under no temptation to do something dreadful or asinine, which is the fate of people who do have a chance.

After the wizards who manage our campaign rites have consulted the public entrails and pronounced the Babbitts doomed by "single digits" in the polls, they are free to heed their families' advice. In Babbitt's case, this seems to have been: "Well, keep at it if you want to, but don't do anything you'll be ashamed of afterward.

Thus Babbitt was not obliged to behave, for instance, as though he had "fire in the belly," which is the way George Bush behaved with Dan Rather. "Fire in the belly" was the big phrase in the 1984 campaign, but I have yet to hear or see it used by a single analyst this year. Though the phrase is rusted, the idea perseveres.

The idea is that unless you want the presidency bad enough to kill for it, you won't get it, and maybe don't deserve to. Bush has been singularly afflicted by this adolescent way of looking at the necessi-

ties of American governance.

He has been told by the wizards, as well as assistant wizards, amateur wizards, pseudo wizards and fake wizards that he must dispel "the wimp factor" to win. "The wimp factor." Nobody can define it satisfactorily. Maybe this means it doesn't even exist. Nevertheless, Bush has been told it surely looks as if it exists and he had better do something to counter it.

Okay, Bush says to himself, what's it mean, this "wimp" talk? Being the right age to have sat through a lot of Buck Jones and Ken Maynard cowboy movies in his boyhood, he probably remembers Buck and Ken walking into dozens of saloons packed with whiskery-jawed gunslingers wearing black hats and knocking back

Buck and Ken were strangers in those saloons, and wearing white hats would have created suspicions about them even if they hadn't been. So when one of them went to the bar, everything fell silent when the bartender asked, "What'll you have, stranger?" And in the silence

everybody heard Buck or Ken re-

ply. "Sarsaparilla." Sarsaparilla, TV kiddies, is a carbonated soft drink like root beer. George Bush probably remembers how all the black-hatted boozers thought the sarsaparilla order marked Buck or Ken as a sissy.

Or in this year's political parlance, a wimp. Bush probably remembers, too, how Ken and Buck dispelled "the wimp factor" by mopping up dozens of saloons with black hats and whiskery jaws.

But even if a presidential candidate is in pretty good shape for his age, as Bush probably is, manhandling insolent people in saloons is impossible. I mean, you're running for president, not sheriff of the ter-

ritory west of the Pecos.

What you wind up doing, though, is just as unnatural, if you're George Bush, as getting into a saloon brawl. You move around the country pretending to be any number of people you're not.

Sometimes you insist you're not the man who once had the gall to denounce Ronald Reagan's disastrous economic theory as "voodoo economics," and pretend you're Ronald Reagan revisited. Other times you pretend you're Mayor Daley beating up on Walter Cron-kite during the 1968 Chicago Convention & Police Riot, and wade into Dan Rather.

Bush is only a typical example of what happens to candidates when they have a chance to win. Richard Gephardt's ecrie change of political identity and Pat Robertson's Soviet-style effort to revise his past history equal the Bush story in gaudy absurdity, and it probably won't be long before we see Robert Dole courting the Republican troglodyte right by promising to punch Mikhail Gorbachev in the snoot if the Russian Navy doesn't quit bumping our ships.

The rule seems to be that the better a candidate's chances of winning, the higher the probability that he will do something dreadful or asinine

Bruce Babbitt seemed different, like a man who wouldn't make himself contemptible just to be president. Of course, when you've got no chance, nobody bothers to tempt you, so the voters can never know for sure. Neither can Babbitt.

Remaking the Image of Ms.

By Marjorie Williams

7ASHINGTON — Pearls Ware back, and if you are shocked to hear it first from Ms. magazine, you have made Anne Summers's day.

"In some ways it's a relaunch." says the editor-in-chief of the new face she is giving the 16-year-old magazine. "Almost everything about the magazine has changed, except the name and the feminist commitment of its journalism." Like John Fairfax Ltd., the

conglomerate that installed her as the editor when it bought Ms. last fall, Summers, 42, is Australian. She is, in fact, a longtime leader of that country's very active women's movement — as an author (of "Damned Whores and God's Police," a feminist history of Australia), organizer (she helped establish the first women's shelter there) and public servant (head of the Office on the Status of Women). But as the new head of the magazine that has become the United States's only main-stream font of feminism, she is as curious as the next native to puzzle out the meaning of the movement for American women today and tomorrow.

Summers wears big glasses whose frames are a wild shade of red. A journalist with long, enameled nails and a skirt that shows half her kneecaps, she seems a fair embodiment of the new Ms. — editor, like magazine, is dressed for late '80s success.

"We want it to be a quality magazine for people to read. A lot of magazines today are just images; this is going to be a magazine of ideas and serious writing and good journalism."

Her work is cut out for her. While it still has a respectable circulation of 480,000, Ms. has long been hard to sell to advertisers; at the time of the sale, it was operating as a nonprofit (and money-losing) foundation. Summers says that Fairfax is prepared to give her time: "They knew when they bought it that it was going to take a couple of years to turn it around" and to reach a

targeted circulation of 650,000. On another level, however, Summers faces a far blurrier task: to find an editorial niche that will be relevant to women readers to-



Editor Summers: Pearls and politics are in, "feminist" is out.

address politics more directly than the old, with its tax-exempt status, could. Summers plans to hire a political correspondent to be "the visible manifestation of Ms. in Washington." In her first issue, the magazine rated the presidential candidates, "staking out an interest in the area, more than anything." And Summers, formerly a political correspondent and editor for such newspapers as The National Times and the Australian Financial Review. plans to track major pieces of legislation to examine how they will affect her readers.

At the same time, she says that Ms. should embrace the attitude that "we all have our lighter sides, and we like to do something other than sit around feeling op-

pressed."
Witness the pearls. The March issue, which went on sale this week contains a meditation on them as an entry in what will be a running feature, called "Clobday. As a start, the new Ms. will ber" (British slang, circa 1879, for

apparel). The column is supposed to be an opportunity for Ms. "to comment on clothes, fashious and so on without really getting involved in them" in the way most women's magazines do. March's ode, however, is titled "Pearls at Any Price: What Coco Knew, We Can Too," and could easily seem at home in Vogue, Good Housekeeping or Savvy.

Other articles, though, speak to such issues as money, technology and health with the magazine's decidedly feminist spirit intact. And an adventurous approach to change is apparent in such new features as a comic strip affectionately spoofing "Little Women" and a feature called "Earthly Delights," in which women writers (including Marge Piercy, Su-san Brownmiller and — in the March issue - Eleanor Perenyi) discuss gardening.

There are changes in the look of Ms., which has grown to a 9-

unavailable to magazines without rich and tolerant parents: fourcolor art throughout, and a design that forbids runovers, the convention of jumping the reader to Page 239 for the end of an

Summers says her first major offensive will be to try to recapture some of the former Ms. readers "who feel the magazine stopped growing with them." Her econd will be to try for a wider audience in the rich demographic loam of the Washington area. Ms., whose two largest clumps of readers are in the New York region and in California, has in the past had a disappointing reception here. "My hunch is there hasn't been enough material in the magazine that reflects Washington," says Summers.
When Summers held federal

office in Australia, she says, there was a slang term for bureaucrats like her, the products of successful political activism: "femo-

"One of the questions I've been asked all around the country is, how is the women's movement in Australia different from the women's movement here? I always say, it astonishes me how little women have achieved" in politics here. "Women have so much political leverage" by virtue of their numbers. "And they don't use it as much here. We used it in Australia; we educated politicians to know they have to go after the women's vote."

Another thing Summers has learned about the United States: Recently she watched a number of focus groups conducted to study women's attitudes, and one of the things that emerged from the groups was that -- especially in the young age groups — there was this incredible resistance to the word 'feminist.'

"I've now had a lot of time to think about it, and I think they want — first of all, this is a less ideological age, and second of all, they don't want a label they asso-ciate with their mothers or older sisters. I call myself a feminist and will remain so until I die. But they thought 'feminist' was both aggressive and defensive; and they thought it was anti-male. was shocked when I heard

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A Lord to the Rescue

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dancer Patrick Bissell died from an overdose of cocaine, codeine, methadone and other drugs, according to an autopsy report. Bissell, 30, was found dead Dec. 29 in his apartment in Hoboken, New Jersey, Prosecutor Paul M. DePascale of Hudson County said investiga-tors found "significant quantities of dangerous substances" in Bissell's body. Among the substances were ethanol, painkillers and salicylate, a component of aspirin, the autopsy report said. DePascale said he has ruled out suicide because no note was found. He said the case was being closed because it was unlikely investigators could trace the source of the drugs. Bissell's family said he was having trouble handling the pressures of the highly competitive dance world in New York City. Bissell, a principal dancer for the company, had gone to the Betty Ford Clinic in California last summer and left the substance abuse program "dried out" in August, said his twin brother,

Lord Callaghan, the former Brit-daily El Mercurio. Easter Island is ish prime minister, has become the home to nearly 400 massive, broodfairy godfather to a London hospi- ing stone figures carved several tal by trying to change the law so it hundred years ago and called can continue to receive royalties on moair. The moai returned by Heythe classic children's tale, "Peter erdahl is the only one that repre-Pan." J.M. Barrie bequeathed roy sents the body of a woman. All alties from the book, stage and film others were made to resemble men performances about the boy who Heyerdahl discovered the torso in wouldn't grow up to the Great Or 1958, and bought it for display is mond Street Hospital for Sick Chil his Kon Tiki museum in Oslo. He dren in London. But the copyright report said. It said he decided to expired Dec. 31 after the maximum return it when the moal's head was 50 years permitted by law just as found about a year ago in the crater the 146-year-old hospital hunched of an extinct volcano. Rano Kan a drive to raise £30 million (about The head and torso will be reunited \$52 million) for renovations. Calla- and put on display at the island's ghan, the former Labor Party lead- own museum. El Mercurio said.

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The comedian Red Skelton and ter Pan" and he will seek to change the singer Mary Martin were the law to make Barrie's bequest among the friends who gathered to permanent. Callaghan said he remember the composer Frederics hopes to introduce an amendment Loewe as a man who could make to the Copyright, Designs and Pat-life laugh and sing like the Breadents Act next month which would way musicals he helped create The tragedy of my life is that I royalties forever. The Times of never did get to do a musical with London reported that Callaghan's him, "Martin, stage star of "South proposal has the support of Prime Pacific," and "The Sound of Martin Stage and "Th Minister Margaret Thatcher's gov- sic." told about 75 friends and fait at an outdoor memorial service at Loewe's estate in Palm Springs California, Wednesday, Skeltonea The American Ballet Theater friend for 32 years, called Lockery music "the pomp and splendes of life — a celesual sound that in-spires happiness." Loewe, 86 Sunday.

The economist John Keinigh Galbraith and low other workship ures were named by Encyclopacing Britannica to share its annual award for communicating knowledge for the benefit of manking The others: the Mexican poer Octavio Paz, the Australian historials Geoffrey Blainey, the Canadian and thor Jane Jacobs and the Chinese anthropologist and sociologist Ed Xiaotong. Each will receive a \$25,000 cash award, a gold medal and an allowance to travel to a forum where they will be invited to speak. Charles Thibault; professor emeritus at the University of Paris VE and Ernest John Christopher Polgs, scientific director of Animal Biotechnology Cambridge Ltd. will share the \$100,000 Wolf Prize in Agriculture for 1988. Both have played six important role in the study of reproductive biology, Thor Heyerdahl has returned an livestock production and related ancient carved stone torso to Easter reproductive issues regarding other Island, according to the Santiago mammals and humans.

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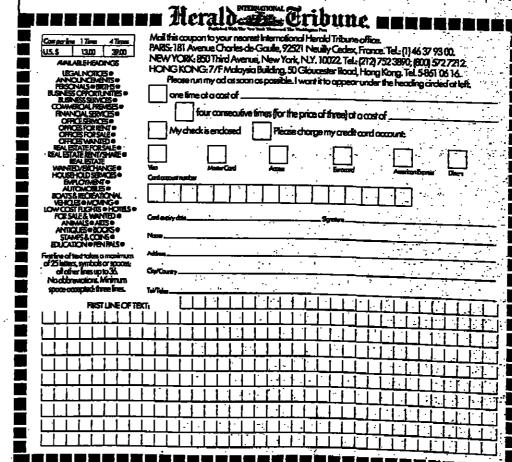
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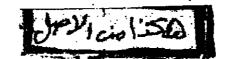
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